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The great revival

Gully next for Kastner's Cross

By LAURIE SCHWAB

It's Sydney for Eddie Krncevic



Eddie Krncevic will play for Sydney Croatia against Wollongong on Saturday, St. George Budapest on Sunday and Inter Monaro on Sunday week.

He then will return to his Belgian club, Cercle Brugge.

Krncevic, 24, who scored 17 goals in 33 games for Australia before going to Europe in 1982, was to have played this game for Melbourne Croatia.

In fact, the club announced officially he agreed to a four-week guest stint.

But Krncevic failed to take the field against Footscray J.U.S.T. last Sunday, as advertised, leaving many fans disappointed.

"I had agreed to play for Sydney Croatia but after Melbourne Croatia had approached my father, I thought I could play for both clubs. But after I contacted the ASF, I found that I couldn't give my word to play in Sydney, so I had to keep my word."

Krncevic added, however, that he also had failed to agree on terms with Melbourne Croatia, which is believed to have offered him \$1000 a game. He denied that Sydney Croatia was paying him \$10,000 for the three games.

Question: Who is the oldest player in the National League?

Answer: Branko Buljevic of Footscray J.U.S.T. He's 37 and was born on 6.9.1947, making him seven months older than Dez Marton (Wollongong) who was born 15.4.1948.

Question: Who's the oldest goalkeeper in the NSL?

Answer: Lou Kastner, 36, of Sunshine-George Cross, born 12.5.1949, making him the third most senior NSL player behind Buljevic and Marton.

Next in line among soccer's senior citizens is Willie Vassallo, 35, (born 4.9.1949), the former Maltese national team captain who has starred for Green Gully for eight years.

Age, of course, means nothing in sport if you're good enough to hold your place among younger players who haven't had the time to do as much damage to their bodies.

Buljevic and Marton have provided leadership to J.U.S.T. and Wollongong respectively, while Kastner and Vassallo will show their worth at Chaplin Reserve in Sunshine when George Cross and Green Gully clash in the Maltese derby on Sunday.

"It's always the most important game of the year for both clubs," Kastner said, "so I've got to say we'll beat them, even though it was 1-1 last time, when they got a last-minute penalty, and we equalised immediately. We'll have to watch Claude Lucchesi and Paul Lewis closely, though. Claude's been playing very well for them and although Lewis has had a bad run, he's bound to come good eventually."

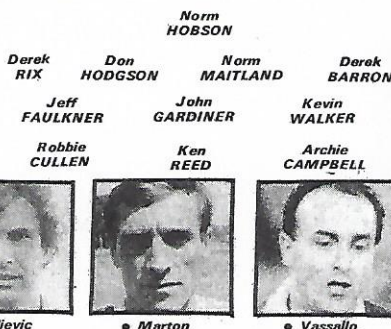
Roles and reputations on Sunday will be exactly the opposite to what they were in that 1-1 draw.

Green Gully, at that time, looked a potential NSL finalist. It had recruited Lucchesi, Jim Murray, Andrew Young and Kevin Lloyd, while Lewis had shattered all defences in the Buffalo Gold Cup night series.

George Cross was having band-aids applied to the wounds sustained in a disastrous 1984 season. The club had finished last and had avoided relegation only because no Victorian club could be found to take George Cross's place.

Now George Cross looks a potential finalist, while Green Gully has its work cut out in trying to stay ahead of last-placed Footscray J.U.S.T.

• We asked Lou Kastner to select an all-star team from among his George Cross team-mates over 17 years. Here's his choice:



• Buljevic

• Marton

• Vassallo

Lou Kastner

CROYDON, MELITA STANDING BY

While Croydon City remains favorite for promotion to the NSL Southern Division, six teams are in with a chance of being promoted to the Northern Division: Melita Eagles, Fairy Meadow, Avala, Kuringai, Canterbury and Sutherland.

In the south, Marwell Falcons, Polonia, Frankston Pines, Box Hill and Thomastown (Faulkner looks gone) must rely on Croydon hitting a losing streak.

As there has been much confusion about the relegation-promotion issue, let us clarify the rules.

In the Southern Division, the last-placed of the eight Victorian teams will be relegated. In addition, a Brisbane or Adelaide team

could be relegated, but only if it finishes dead last. That is highly unlikely, because they are well clear of last place.

In the Northern Division, only the last-placed team will be relegated.

Wollongong, Newcastle and Canberra no longer are protected by "development area" classification. They are now in the same boat as all others.

The Northern Division ladder is so tight that the bottom six clubs all are threatened by relegation.

In the south, Footscray JUST is out on its own, in grave danger, but survival is not a mathematical impossibility. If JUST was to sustain a winning run, it would put Green Gully and Makedonia in danger.

— LAURIE SCHWAB

APIA's OK

Egyptian, Scots to save the day

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

APIA chairman Nick Papallo isn't kidding when he says that his team "is going through a bit of a slump."

What about relegation fears? "I don't have any. None whatsoever," says Papallo.

Now, who is he kidding? Before last weekend's clash with Penrith at Cook Park, APIA was in second last spot in the Northern Division, with nine points, one behind the next Sydney-based team, St George. The last-placed NSW side gets the chop at the end of the season, so there's every reason to believe that boardroom meetings at APIA are interrupted with valium disappearing into glasses of whisky, then hurriedly slurped down.

APIA is so fearless and so confident about a revival that it hopes to have two Scottish strikers flying in this week and as we went to press was trying to sign Egyptian international stopper Ala Abbas. What's more, it signed midfielder Tom Steven, 30, from Manly.

If that's not hitting the panic button, what is?

"I've got the utmost confidence in the coach and in the team. We've had a lot of bad luck in recent weeks and that all will change once we start taking our chances, because even though results haven't been going our way we've been creating tons of chances," said Papallo.



Nick Papallo

Papallo says that APIA isn't the sort of club to cry about bad luck, but fate hasn't been kind this year and a season which started so promisingly has turned sour after a spate of injuries.

Arno Bertogna has been plagued by a bad groin, Tom McCulloch and Jim Hamilton have had leg injuries and Howard Tredinnick broke his leg in his first game for APIA after switching from Melita Eagles. All four are among the best players on the club's books.

It's been a season of change. Ian Gray and Peter Tredinnick joined Marconi, John Bradley joined Blacktown, Vic Bozanic joined St George and Mark Fullen called it quits.

The newcomers are Soccerroo midfielder McCulloch and Hamilton, a Scot who had a previous stint in Australia with Newcastle.

One of the biggest losses has been young Ali Reda, who was in sensational form in the pre-season NSW Ampol Cup. Our NSW correspondent, Alex Vesic, wrote of Reda's early season form:

"Ali Reda, the Ian Gray look-alike at APIA, is the new pin-up boy at Lambert Park. Most coaches go far and wide to find a goalscoring midfielder, but APIA only had to outlay \$150 to acquire the youngster."

Kastner, still one of the best goalkeepers in the business, obviously has had a lot to do with George Cross's improvement. Experience counts for everything among goalkeepers, and who can match his: 16 years with George Cross, from the age of 13 when he arrived here from West Germany, half a season with Keilor-Austria in 1978, three seasons with Preston Makedonia, two and a half seasons with Croydon City, five games for Victoria? What's more, he was in Australia's 1983 World Cup squad, although he didn't actually play a game.

But Kastner's contribution to George Cross since his return to the club this year has been small compared with that of coach John Gardiner. The two were team-mates at George Cross for many years and both were in the side that won the 1977 State League championship.

"The reason for our success is that we all believe in John's system of play," Kastner says. "The hardest point for him to get across was to keep playing the way we were and to be patient because eventually the goals would come. We had to stop giving the ball away with pointless long kicking."

"We try to have as much possession as possible, to play the early ball forward, to get one-on-one up front and to get forward from all positions at the right times."

"I've learned under John to look up and try to find a one-on-one situation up front. If I do, I'll kick it long and try to exploit it. If not, I just make sure we hold possession."

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McKie really loves to beat the club he hates

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

For most Heidelberg players, playing against South Melbourne Hellas is a special event. Fullback Ian McKie is no different, but McKie's pride and joy is playing well in a winning Heidelberg team against West Adelaide Hellas.

"I guess you could say that I hate West Adelaide in a way," said the former Westad player, now one of the most reliable and underrated defenders in the National League. "It was one of the young guys at Westad who was made a scapegoat whenever we didn't get results," said the 23 year old.

He was referring to the last two of his three seasons with the South Australian club. His first season at Westad, 1980, saw him make 15 NSL appearances but the next two seasons he found himself in and out of the side.

Westad finished second bottom in 1980, 18th in 1981 and 9th in 1982.

"I go out of my way to try and play well against West Adelaide now. When I was there, I was a lot younger and you tend to just keep your mouth shut when you think you're hard done by."

McKie was born in Motherwell in Scotland but spent most of his early years in Wolverhampton in England. There he played with his school team on Saturdays and local club Apollo on Sundays.

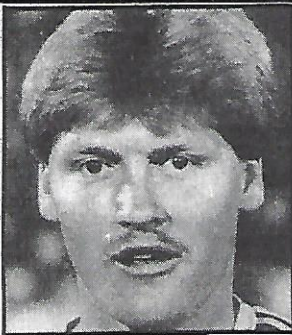
His first Australian club was Salisbury East and when he was 15 he switched to Salisbury United, now in State League First Division, but in Second Division when McKie joined. He transferred to Enfield Victoria for two seasons after just one year with United and after playing well for Enfield in a pre-season friendly against Westad, was spotted and signed by then Westad coach Gerry Chaldi.

But as Westad struggled, the committee took the easy option, and a procession of coaches did little to help McKie's cause. Up until joining Heidelberg in 1983, McKie played under Chaldi, Billy Birch, Peter Jaksa and Alan Vest.

Although McKie never fully established himself at Westad, his talents didn't go unnoticed. Perhaps the then Heidelberg coach, Ken Morton knew that McKie had played for South Australia in national carnivals at under-15, 16 and youth levels and was in the senior state squad for games against Vardar Skopje of Yugoslavia and Victoria.

Whatever the reason, Morton did McKie and Heidelberg a favor when he signed McKie for the 1983 season after McKie had asked Westad for a move.

"It wasn't easy at first at Heidelberg. Hardly anyone outside South Australia knew much about me as a player and when I came



Ian McKie of Heidelberg

to Heidelberg, Arthur McMillan was captain and playing well at fullback," said McKie. "But once McKie was injured and McKie got his chance, he never looked back."

"I had a lot to prove when I came to Melbourne. It was a bit rugged at first because I was in a flat and I didn't know a lot of people over here."

But McKie quickly made his mark, beating a succession of so-called stars. It's playing against the big name players which gives him most satisfaction.

"I enjoy taking on wingers with big reputations, guys like Phil O'Connor, when the National League was a truly national competition, and Zdravko Lujic of Footscray."

Now that McKie has established himself in the NSL, does he want to take the final step and win national team recognition?

"My ambition is the same as every other player in the country. We all want to play for Australia. The way things are shaping, Alan Davidson looks like playing right back in the World Cup games and he's got to be one of the best players ever produced by Australia, so it's going to be hard to get his spot."

His immediate aim, however, is to get success with Heidelberg. He came mighty close last year when the Bergers went down 4-2 to South Melbourne Hellas in the National Conference final.

"I think we'll finish in the top three this season. If you'd asked me what I thought a few weeks ago, I'd have said that we'll finish top for sure, but we've not been putting it together recently even though all the lads still are working hard."

"Since Brian Garvey took over as coach we've become a lot more direct. We try and hit our front runners as early as possible which means by-passing midfield at times. We can play through our midfield too if we have to, though."

"I don't think that we've improved greatly from last year. We've lost Donnie Macleod and Micky Petersen and we've gained George Christopoulos but we're pretty much the same side."

"Hellas still is the team to beat. They've got a lot of good players and they're a strong club. Sunshine-George Cross has picked up and from what I hear that's got a lot to do with their coach, John Gardiner."

"But we'll be there when it matters. The biggest thing in the past was our defence. We've played it really tight. If we can do that and take our chances, I can't see why we can't give it a real shake again."

It's England for Dorigo, not Roos

AUSSIERS NEED 'MITCH,' SAYS VILLA STAR

From MIKE RENWICK

Aston Villa defender Tony Dorigo has given up all hope of ever playing for the Socceroos.

As a result, Dorigo has applied for British citizenship, which he has been told should be his in about 18 months.

"I have to have been here for five years to get citizenship, as neither of my parents are British," he said.

"It seems you have to be a Zola Budd to beat the five year rule."

Dorigo said he had made the decision to give up any chance of playing for Australia very reluctantly.

"I spoke with Frank Arok when the Australian team was here last December, and he seemed to think that possibly there was a chance I could be called upon," Dorigo said.

Dorigo said that was where the catch lay, because Australia's vital World Cup qualifying matches fell right in the middle of the hectic English League season.

"They (Villa) would probably end up giving me the time off — to them international honours are something very special and I don't think they'd stand in the way of any of the players."

"But there would be no guarantee that I'd be able to get back my place in the first team again."

"And that's my bread and butter," he said.

Dorigo has fought very hard to win a regular first team place and he was not about to relinquish it.

"I am a professional footballer now," he said.

"I make my living from Aston Villa and I love it to myself, my family and my club to do the right thing by them."

"I have just been offered a new four year contract by Villa so I seem set for a long spell."

Dorigo, only 19 hoped that by the time his naturalisation papers came through he would still be in the running for the England under 21 team.

"I have already been approached for the England youth team, but I had to tell that I couldn't play because I was still an Australian citizen," he said.

He said he had talked with both David Mitchell and Craig Johnston about the life in British football.

"Dorigo said Mitchell had expressed a great desire to win a place in the Socceroo side."

"He was really looking forward to going back to Adelaide," Dorigo said.

"Then I heard that he got somehow sidetracked and is in Hongkong."

When I explained to him what had happened he was surprised.

WORMLEY WOVES 'EM

Paul Wormley, the former West Adelaide Hellas striker, created a goal scoring record in WA's State League last week.

In his second season with Perth club Florent Athena, the big forward scored five goals to help his side beat East Fremantle Tricolor 6-2.

Wormley's five goals, although not the highest tally in WA history, created a club record.

The English striker early this year turned down an offer to play for Frank Arok's St. George, saying that Arok's training was too tough.

But after turning his back on possible fame in Sydney, his decision to return to Perth seems to have been right.

Athena is fifth in the league but reckons the title is still within reach, whether or not it succeeds in winning its first premiership in eight years remains to be seen — but with the powerful Wormley lurking

"I don't know Dave all that well, but I reckon he'd be absolutely shattered by that."

"If I was the Australian Soccer Federation President I would make a special effort to sort that mess out."

"He's too valuable a player to be wasting his time in Hongkong if he could be helping the national team."

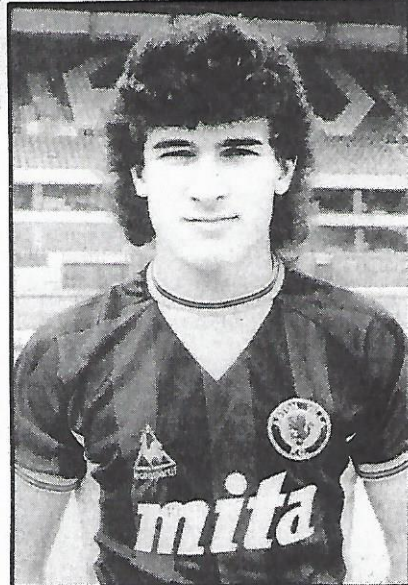
Dorigo said he didn't know if it was just coincidence, but it seemed strange to him that two Adelaide boys had made the grade in British football.

"I reckon it has something to do with the way Adelaide always gets ignored by the Sydney-Melbourne powers," he said.

"For me, I knew that to make it in soccer I'd have to leave Adelaide."

"And when I realised that, I said to myself: 'Why stop at Sydney or Melbourne? Why not aim higher?'"

"So I did, and that's why I'm here."



Tony Dorigo

Doc: Kalantzis would take U.K. by storm

From MIKE RENWICK

Tommy Docherty admitted that he was almost ready to pack his bags and quit British football after the horror of the European Cup final tragedy.

"It makes you wonder if there is any future in the game here," he said the day after the match.

Problems at Docherty's club, Wolverhampton Wanderers, could also have something to do with his dampened spirits.

Wolves have reportedly run out of cash and have been unable to pay their players.

As a result the Players Association has stepped in to try and sort out the mess.

It has all added up to a distressing time for Docherty.

"I have been offered a new contract with the club, because I think they know I've done my best with the little I have had available."

Docherty said he still followed with interest the Australian scene.

"I was particularly delighted at the way young Chris Kalantzis took his opportunity during the World Youth Cup play-offs," Docherty said.

"I don't suppose many people will remember, but I was the one who introduced Chris into the first team as a 15-year-old."

"I remember a lot of people saying I was crazy, but I saw he had great potential."

"I'm certain he will become a regular Socceroo in a few years."

"And I'll be very surprised if he doesn't cause a major sensation during the finals in Russia," he said.

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Flashback to Tommy Docherty's days at South Melbourne Hellas. The Doc (right) is pictured with the then Hellas President Sam Pappasavas and John Margaritis.

Docherty said he would not like to predict how the young Socceroos will fare in the USSR, not having seen the side in action.

"But there is every hope for them."

"I know they face a massive hurdle in the Soviet Union, which is a former winner, and is very strong at that age level."

"But the others in the group should give Australia hope."

"Canada is beatable, but I think it would be a mistake to write off the Nigerians."

"We've all seen what beautiful ball skills the Africans have, and these kids are literally dark horses."

Docherty said if the young Socceroos were a little more "mature" than in 1983, they could move through to the second round.

"It will depend a lot on how Jimmy Shoulder tackles the task... and whether he picks more players from the NSL."

"I think that is a must," he said.

On the topic of Kalantzis, Docherty said he would dearly love to have a player such as him in England.

"Someone like Chris would be a sensation here," he said.

"And there are others not just at Olympic, but all around the country who could become professionals."

"What I mean is that they have the skill."

"Whether they have the commitment is another matter."

"Getting work permits is becoming increasingly difficult, unless you are in the EEC or have a British parent."

"Otherwise it's virtually impossible."

"I know some have done it, but they have used other means," he said, citing Tony Dorigo of Aston Villa who arrived in England as a 15 year old.

"It would be very hard to take on someone even at only 18 or 19," he said.

"And he said he doubted whether many Australian lads would be able to handle the conditions in England."

"It takes a lot of commitment," he said.

"It's not just the training. It's living in England."

"In Australia there is a much higher standard of living and, well, the kids there have a very good life."

"Here, things are much more difficult and it needs a steadfast resolve to overcome all the problems," he said.

"Actually, talking about the good life in Australia makes me start wondering about going back there again," he said.

"Anyone out there want a coach?"

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Bergers boss sought ban on five members

Sam Gouloupoulos

Did a violent minority at Heidelberg-Alexander prompt Sam Gouloupoulos to resign as president?

Gouloupoulos is understood to have asked for the deregistering of at least five club members after incidents including an assault on South Melbourne Hellas president Jim Diamataris and the throwing of a can at Heidelberg coach Brian Garvey.

I understand that Gouloupoulos asked the committee to impose life bans on the members involved but was outvoted.

However, Gouloupoulos refuses to discuss such matters. He claims that his resignation was forced upon him by a series of accusations made against him by fellow committeemen.

"I was accused of betraying the club over the Robert Markovac affair, of withholding information from the committee, of being a dictator and of dividing the club," said Gouloupoulos, who was elected president in late 1981.

"In the past 18 months I haven't enjoyed serving the club. I haven't been given 100 percent support. In fact, I've been undermined."

Strong claims! Strange too, for the committee which Gouloupoulos claims has worked against him, was hand-picked by Gouloupoulos. He was given that mandate at last year's AGM.

"I selected a group of professional people — businessmen — who I thought would best serve the club, but the committee has continually been sidetracked by petty issues this year. I went away for six weeks early in the piece and returned in February to find that some committeemen were worried about the way things were being run. I tried to pull in the reins, to get us all working together, but things got out of hand."

"I was hit by resignations left, right and centre, for reasons that still are not clear to me. I had selected 11

By CRAIG MacKENZIE

committeemen but after just three or four months that figure had dwindled to eight."

It was on Sunday, June 2 this year, that Gouloupoulos announced his resignation. I understand that some committee members didn't want to call on extraordinary general meeting but that by resigning, Gouloupoulos forced such a move. That meeting will be held on Sunday, June 30, when all committee positions will be put to the vote. Gouloupoulos won't be standing for re-election.

"Since my resignation, members have approached me and asked me to come back. I'm confident that if I stood, I'd get over 75 percent of the vote but I've been asking myself whether I need this, whether I deserve to be undermined like this, whether I can properly serve the club in such a climate, and I've decided not to stand," said Gouloupoulos.

Significantly, the current committee, with Steve Stefanidis as acting president, has not asked Gouloupoulos to stand for re-election. The favorite for the presidency is former secretary Spiros Rombotis.

"When I was a committeeman, I served my presidents well. I supported my presidents. I worked under both Jim Mangopoulos and Arthur Loustas and backed them in any way I could. You could say that I served my apprenticeship under these guys, and it was one of the happiest moments of my life when I was elected president," said Gouloupoulos.

"We've had problems but we've met them head-on. A couple of years ago we had the Juno Toro affair where one player, not by his own doing but by the way other players acted, threatened to split the club in half. Certain members promised massive sponsorship and got to a petition to sack the committee and hold new elections. One guy even came along and said that he'd give the club \$120,000 and that he wanted to be president."

"Then we had a big move, from Olympic Park to Olympic Village. That was the source of a lot of discontent among the committee but I believe to this

day, that that move is the most significant thing that's taken place during my term as president. However, I don't believe that the committee and the members have been active enough in establishing the club at the Olympic Village."

Has the discontent which is evident at committee is level spilled over onto the playing side? Coach Brian Garvey told his players after the loss of Melbourne Croatia the other week that he'd be resigning. Garvey changed his mind the next day.

Garvey is annoyed that what he told his players in confidence, was leaked to the press. Gouloupoulos also is annoyed at leaks made by committeemen to the press.

"Confidential documents tabled at committee meetings this year have appeared in the press. It's obvious that they've been leaked, which shows what sort of loyalty and trust exists in the committee. I've had a campaign mounted against me through the press, obviously sparked by committeemen, and there's no excuse for such action."

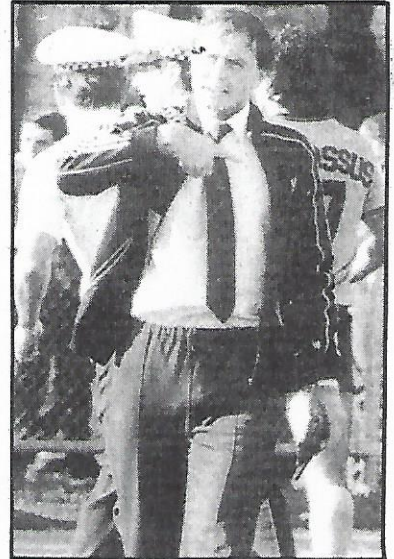
"But the club is bigger than the individual. The people who have put themselves above the club and abused their positions of authority will find that out soon enough."

"I've been accused of all sorts of things but I've always regarded myself a servant of the club. The club will survive, whatever happens at the extraordinary general meeting, and that's the main thing. I'm not turning my back on the club."

So is it likely that another change of heart could take place before June 30?

"No way. Not this time. I have been taken for granted long enough. Sure, if the club needs me at some point in the future, then I'll consider coming back but if that happens then it'll be on my terms."

"Anyway, the way things are going, we'll soon be franchising soccer clubs. I like that idea. I could get a group of businessmen together and we could buy the franchise for Heidelberg. Yes, I'd be involved in that."



Heidelberg coach Brian Garvey

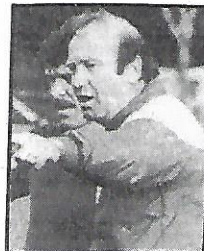
HENNESSY KEEN TO RETURN

• Terry Hennessy, the former North American Soccer League Coach of the Year, who coached Melbourne Croatia for part of the 1984 season, wants to return and settle in Australia.

Derby County and Birmingham City and played over 400 English League games. He was capped 39 times for Wales.

Hennessy coached Tulsa Roughnecks to a 2-0 win over Toronto Blizzard in Soccer Bowl '83. He's a former Wales captain, making his international debut when he was 18. He also captained English clubs Nottingham Forest,

His coaching career started in 1979 when he was assistant coach to Alan Hinton at Tulsa. When Hinton moved to Seattle, Hennessy took over as head coach. He is the longest serving coach in Tulsa's history.



Terry Hennessy

AS UGLY AS EVER



Poulakakis at Port

• Many Poulakakis, a legendary figure among Australian soccer coaches, has taken over Victorian Third Division club Port Melbourne following his recent return from Greece. Poulakakis has coached, among others, South Melbourne Hellas, Heidelberg-Alexander, Juventus, George Cross, Sydney Hakoah, Pan Hellenic and the Victorian State team. He is pictured at left with England national coach Bobby Robson (centre) and prominent Greek coach Petropoulos at a coaching course in England.

Spain set for finals

Spain almost certainly will qualify for next year's World Cup finals after hitting back for a 2-1 win over Iceland in Reykjavik.

Runner-up in Spain's group will meet the Oceania winner for a place in the finals.

Spain's coach Miguel Munoz got one million pesetas (\$8,600) and his players half that amount each for overcoming a 1-0 half-time deficit to beat Iceland.

Spain would finish either first or second in the group by beating Iceland at home on September 25.

A two-goal burst in 17 minutes early in the second half tilted the balance Spain's way after Teitur Thordarson had fired Iceland ahead in the 31st minute.

Scotland and second-placed Wales, which both have a superior goal difference, meet on September 10. Wales must win, while a draw would be enough for Scotland.

Details: Spain 2 Iceland 1.

Scorers: ICELAND — Teitur Thordarson (31st min). SPAIN — Sarabia (50th), Marcos Alonso (66th).

European Group Seven standings:
SCOTLAND 3 0 2 7 3 6
WALES 3 0 2 6 5 6
SPAIN 3 0 2 7 7 6
ICELAND 1 0 4 3 8 2

Remaining matches: September 10, Wales v Scotland, September 25, Spain v Iceland. Group winner qualifies for finals, runner-up to play off with Oceania group winner.

LES MURRAY

Nothing changes. Despite moans of discontent — in this column and elsewhere — at the beginning of the season, violent football is rampant still on Australian soccer fields.

Weeks before the NSL campaign began I was among those who decried the unpunished brutality that was being allowed to fester, suggesting that the ASF, with the help of the referees' body, legislate to stamp out the on-field ugliness.

It has not happened. In those terms, the game is as ugly as it was in 1984.

Though what peeves me most is the degree of violence exhibited in NSL games, the incidents which attracted eight yellow cards in the recent international tournament final, hardly set the right example.

In my view, at least five of those incidents — so violent and displaying such cynical expediency on the part of the offenders — should have attracted the red card.

And I include among them the three incidents which brought yellow cards for Murphy, Ratcliffe and Jennings.

After my recent comments on television about the brutal Sydney City — St George derby at the Sydney Athletic Field, I was taken to task by an NSL player who sympathised but suggested I take note of the referee's part in such games.

"The main problem," he wrote, "is the total lack of respect by our players for the referees and who can blame them?"

"The referees seem unable to grasp the game in a manner which encourages good play. Trivial offences seem to be the most significant ones punished. Serious, over-the-top tackles, late tackles and off-the-ball incidents go unnoticed by officials as if they were part of normal play."

The same player cites as a vivid example the horrific incident in the recent game between Sydney Croatia and Sydney Olympic, in which Chris Kalantzis can be thankful that his knee was not snapped in two by a high tackle from a Croatia player.

"The incident going completely unnoticed," wrote the player, "only sickens the players and downgrades the referees in the player's eyes."

The Croatia player writes another viewer, "deserved a red card. Yet he did not even get a warning and the referee grinned as if to say everything was alright."

Having viewed the incident over and over again on video, I'm prepared to believe that referee Rampley did not see the foul properly. He appeared to have been standing behind the offending player when the tackle was made and the foul could well have been obscured from Rampley's view.

But what of his linesmen? Surely one of the two linesmen would have caught a good eye of the incident.

Yes, but here too there's a problem. Because Rampley would have been much closer to the incident than either linesman, those linesmen would have been in no position to even try to persuade the referee to alter his decision.

If the referee was certain he saw all that he needed to see, and he was close to the incident — which he was — then the linesman, regardless of what he thought he saw, would have to say that the referee had been a better judge.

That leaves the referees' inspector. I'm told that in this case — by a most unfortunate quirk of fate — the inspector's view was blocked in the very split second the tackle was made.

Had he seen the incident clearly, he would have filed his report after the match and deducted points from the referee's performance.

So by a strange and unlucky network of events not only did the foul go unpunished but there were no repercussions for the referee or any of his officials.

As for video evidence later on, FIFA has a policy that is official and goes dead against the use of video evidence to judge referees. So our Referees Federation will not and cannot even question the referee after it seeing indisputable video evidence that the referee was wrong.

But other people can, which leads me back to the ASF and the NSL which jointly, are responsible for stamping out violence.

The Kalantzis incident was alarming and there was nothing to stop ASF or NSL officials from reacting after they had seen the video.

Not perhaps to ask for direct action against the referee, but certainly to convey loud words of encouragement for eliminating such incidents from the field of play.

The referees, to be sure, have a lot to answer for when violent play is seen to be getting out of hand and when on-field louts go unpunished.

But there are higher authorities, watchdogs like the ASF and the NSL that not only have the right but the obligation to keep the game clean.

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Bonacic out, Wheeler in?

By LAURIE SCHWAB

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The VSF Travel Club, in association with Ametco Travel, provides a trip to Europe flying Thai International to the top scorer in the NSL Southern Division.

Leaders:
12. Egan (SMH)
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9. Price (WAH)
8. Latif (SGC), Sweeney (BJ)
7. Smith (Mak)
6. Pink, Cole (Mak), Lewis (GC)
5. Ward (M.Cr), Reis (BC), Maxwell (ACJ), D. Brown (SMH), Zinni (BJ)
4. Tasios (H'b), Lucchesi (GG), Villani, Northcote (ACJ), Petersen (BJ)

Youth games

Victorian Youth League results: Frankston Pines 1 Sunshine G.C. 2, Preston 0 Nunawading City 2, St Melbourne 1 B.U. Juventus 0, Green Gully 2 Fawkner 3, Melbourne Croatia 4 Footscray 1, Croydon City 2 Heidelberg 1, Croydon 5.

YOUTH STANDINGS

	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Heidelberg	11	0	4	58	24	22
St Melbourne	10	2	3	29	16	22
B.U. Juventus	8	4	2	48	18	20
Melb Croatia	8	4	3	38	18	20
Preston	8	4	3	36	18	20
Footscray	8	0	7	27	26	16
Green Gully	7	1	7	36	21	15
Sunshine G.C.	6	3	6	34	22	15
Nunawading	4	3	8	15	38	11
Fawkner	3	3	9	20	51	9
Frankston	2	1	12	17	61	5
Croydon City	2	0	13	9	57	4

This Sunday's youth games:
Heidelberg Alexander v Frankston Pines, Melbourne Croatia v Croydon, Nunawading City v South Melbourne Hellas, Fawkner v Preston Makedonia, Sunshine-George Cross v Green Gully, Footscray JUST v Brunswick Juventus

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23. Farina (SCH).
22. Franken (Can).
21. Traianedes (Mak).
20. Owens (NR).

St George Budapest is chasing Coalstars (Old) striker Dave Wheeler in his bid to keep open a door to the Northern Division top five, while in the south, Footscray JUST continues its battle against relegation without its top player, Luka Bonacic, against league leader Juventus.

Wollongong, like nine other clubs, plays two matches this week and it wins at least one, it will climb off the bottom of the ladder, providing second-last Newcastle-Rosebud loses to Canberra Olympians. George Cross will have Darren Gauci and perhaps IBF world boxing champion Lester Ellis as special guests at its Maltese derby against Green Gully at Chaplin Reserve. George Cross has to win to hold off a challenge for fifth place from Adelaide Juventus, which should beat Makedonia in Adelaide, while Green Gully is desperate for points to stay ahead of JUST at the bottom.

If Adelaide Juventus loses on Sunday, then Makedonia would take over as the main challenger to George Cross for a place in the top five. Makedonia will have Gary Cole and Gordon Flavell back from suspension but I doubt coach Bill Murray will change the team that hammered Brisbane Lions 4-0.

Wheeler is top scorer for Coalstars with five goals from eight games and also scored in Queensland's 1-3 loss to NSW recently. Wheeler, 25, previously played for Rotherham in England.

Arok wanted Wheeler to solve St George's goalkeeping problems, but the need is not as great after last Saturday, when Trevor Morgan scored a hat-trick. JUST has been inspired by Bonacic over recent weeks but he and Drago Deankovic were sent off in JUST's 1-0 victory over Melbourne Croatia last Sunday. Branko Buljevic, who surprisingly sat on the bench against Croatia despite his fine performance against Hellas, should return to the team, and JUST certainly will make Juventus work hard. JUST beat Juventus last year when Juventus was flying high but I don't think Juventus can be beaten this time. Its midfield is far too strong.

Sydney Olympic, inspired by Dave Provan, has a three-point break on St George, Canberra dn Inter-Monaro, and so the top five will be an exclusive club unless Olympic is beaten. Manfred Schaefer's men meet Frank Arok's St George on Saturday and Fil Botalico's APIA on Sunday — both danger matches.

I expect Olympic at least to draw both of them, however, meaning it would hang onto its position in the five.

Sydney Croatia, strengthened by Eddie Krncevic (who will he replace, though?) and Sydney Hakoah should hold their places at the top, but Marconi will remain right there behind them, ready to climb to the top should one of them falter. Marconi has been largely overlooked in all the euphoria about Sydney Croatia, but don't be surprised to see Les Scheinflug powering his team to league leadership within the next month.

South Melbourne Hellas regains Oscar Crino but loses suspended Steve Blair for its difficult match in Brisbane against the Lions, who will be minus sweeper Steve Jackson, sent off against Makedonia.

Hellas, however, should win. Similarly, Melbourne Croatia and Heidelberg-Alexander should beat Brisbane City and West Adelaide Hellas at home, to hold their positions behind the two leaders.

Team of the Week	
In brackets: number of appearances in team of the week.	
KASTNER (1) (Geo Cross)	TULLAWA (1) (Inter-Monaro)
RODRIGUES (1) (SC-Hakoah)	YANKOS (2) (H'berg)
HONEYMAN (6) (WA-Hellas)	PETERSCN (1) (BU-Juventus)
KODJO (1) (Foots JUST)	CANT (2) (SC-Hakoah)
PROVAN (2) (Syd Olympic)	MORGAN (1) (StG Budapest)
	R.BROWN (1) (Warcroni)

This week's NSL games, with likely winners in capitals

TONIGHT (WEDNESDAY)
Newcastle-Rosebud v MARCONI, postponed round 13 game at Adamstown Oval, 7.30 pm.

FRIDAY
Penrith v Canberra Olympians (draw) at Cook Park, postponed round 13 games, Cook Park, 7 pm.

SATURDAY
(Postponed round 13 matches)
Sydney Olympic v St George Budapest (draw) at Pratten Park, 4 pm.
SYDNEY CROATIA v Wollongong, Croatian Sports Centre, 3 pm.
SYDNEY CITY HAKOAH v APIA-Leichhardt at Sydney Athletic Field, 3 pm.

SUNDAY
HEIDELBERG-ALEXANDER v West Adelaide Hellas at Olympic Village, 3 pm.
WOLLONGONG v Penrith at Wollongong Showgrounds, 3 pm.
SYDNEY CITY HAKOAH v Inter-Monaro at Sydney Athletic Field, 3 pm.
Brisbane Lions v SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS at Richmond, 2 pm.
Canberra Olympians v NEWCASTLE-ROSEBUD at Bruce Stadium, 3 pm.
ADELAIDE CITY JUVENTUS v Preston Makedonia at Olympic Sports Field, 2.30 pm.
Blacktown City v MARCONI at Gabbie Stadium, 3 pm.
SUNSHINE-GEORGE CROSS v Green Gully at Chaplin Reserve, 3 pm.
APIA-Leichhardt v SYDNEY Olympic (draw) at Lambert Park, 3 pm.
Footscray J.U.S.T. v BRUNSWICK-JUVENTUS at Schintler Reserve, 3 pm.
SYDNEY CROATIA v St George Budapest at Croatian Sports Centre, 3 pm.

NSL SOUTHERN DIVISION

	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
B'WICK-JUVENTUS	9	4	2	25	13	22
STH MELB HELLAS	9	3	2	26	17	21
H'BERG-ALEXANDER	7	4	4	24	14	18
MELB CROATIA	7	4	4	16	18	18
GEORGE CROSS	5	6	4	15	13	16
Adel City Juventus	5	4	6	24	25	14
Preston Makedonia	6	2	7	21	22	14
West Adel Hellas	5	3	7	20	24	13
Brisbane Lions	5	3	6	13	17	13
Brisbane City	5	2	7	19	25	12
Green Gully	3	4	8	13	21	10
Footscray JUST	3	1	11	14	29	7

NSL NORTHERN DIVISION

	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
SYDNEY CROATIA	9	3	2	32	15	21
SYD CITY HAKOAH	9	2	2	27	12	20
MARCONI	7	4	2	28	17	18
BLACKTOWN	6	3	6	24	18	15
SYD OLYMPIC	7	1	6	16	18	15
St Geo Budapest	4	4	5	15	15	12
C'berra Olympians	4	4	6	20	24	12
Inter-Monaro	5	2	8	20	30	12
Penrith	3	5	6	17	19	11
APIA-Leichhardt	5	1	7	16	19	11
Newcastle-Rosebud	3	4	7	16	27	10
Wollongong	3	3	8	17	33	9

Honeyman leads, Yankos rises

Graham Honeyman (WA-Hellas) has opened up a clear lead in the voting for the Boral Bricks \$1500 Player of the Year award. Charlie Egan (SM-Hellas) is goalscorer, behind leader Charlie Egan (SM-Hellas).
Top vote-getters:
54. Honeyman (WAH).
49. Egan (SMH).
46. Gomez (SCH).
39. Bryant (Can), Hunter (BL).
37. Yankos, Stevenson (H'b), Nyskohus (ACJ).
36. Rozic (S. Cr), Crino (SMH).
35. Wheatley (B).
34. Dickson (W), Maxwell (ACJ).

BORAL BRICKS

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33. Patikas, Odzakov (S. Cr), Hoare (B).
30. Faulkner (SGC), Bundalo (W).
Top scorers:
12. Egan (SMH).
11. Arnold (S. Cr).
10. Stevenson (H'b), Patikas (S. Cr).
9. Price (WAH), Janovics (Marc).
8. Latif (SGC), Sweeney (BJ).
7. R. Brown (Marc), Smith (Mak).
6. Farina (SCH), Dragicevic (S. Cr), Spink, Cole (Mak), O'Connor (B), Lewis (GG).
5. Colagiuri (APIA), Ward (M. Cr), Reis (BC), Kosmina, Gomez (SCH), McKie (B), Maxwell (ACJ), D. Brown (SMH), Zinni (BJ).

SOUTHERN DIVISION

GREEN GULLY 2 (Lucchesi 37th, Lewis 54th) ADELAIDE CITY JUVENTUS 3 (Maxwell 58th & 85th, Northcote 76th) at Green Gully Reserve. Crowd about 150. Ratings by Laurie Schwab:
GREEN GULLY: Devine 6 — Williams 5 — Cannell 5, McLelland 6 — Murray 5, Smallman 5, Vassallo 6 (Lloyd 88th), Campbell 7, Hoghen 8 — Lucchesi 8, Lewis 7. Coach: Bobby McLachlan.
ADELAIDE JUVENTUS: McNally 8 — Melta 6, Nyskohus 8, Flounders 5, Tobin 5 — Mullen 5, Santrac 7, Northcote 8, Maxwell 7, Villani 6, Vidmar 5 (Costanza 81st). Coach: Edmund Krefl.
Best six for Boral Bricks Player of the Year award: 6. Lucchesi (GG), 5. Northcote (ACJ), 4. McNally (ACJ), 3. Nyskohus (ACJ), 2. Hoghen (GG), 1. Campbell (GG).

BRISBANE CITY 0 HEIDELBERG ALEXANDER 3 (Stevenson 17th and 91st, Tsolakis 62nd) at the Gold Coast. Crowd: 2503. Ratings by Ricky Rosso.
BRISBANE CITY: Wishart 7 — Archer 8, Milovanovic 6, Mengotti 6, Wilkinson 6 — Hamilton 6, Pimblett 7, Fabrizio 6 — Springs 5 (Lei teri 84th), Carey 6 (Junna 68), Bromfield 7, Coach: Jim Hermiston.
HEIDELBERG-ALEXANDER: Over 8 — McKie 7, Yankos 8, Angelo 7, Marley 7, Metaxas 6, (Deligiannis 84th), Christopoulos 8, Tasios 6, (Gabrielson 66th) — Selemidis 8, Stevenson 8, Tsolakis 6. Coach: Brian Garvey.
Best six for Boral Bricks Best Player award: 6. Yankos (H), 5. Stevenson (H), 4. Selemidis (H), 3. Archer (BC), 2. Christopoulos (H), 1. Tsolakis (H).

SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS 1 (Egan 42nd) BRUNSWICK-JUVENTUS 3 (Lewis 40th, Petersen 71st, Sweeney 79th) at Middle Park. Crowd about 5000. Ratings by Laurie Schwab:
HELLAS: Laumets 7 — Russell 8, Blair 8 (sent off 78th), Yzendoorn 8 (inj), Sub Anzaklis 73rd, Postecoglou 8 — McDowell 8, Bozivoski 7, Halford 7, Murphy 7 — Egan 7, Brown 7. Coach: Len McKendry.
BRUNSWICK-JUVENTUS: Banovic 9 — Lewis 8, B. Brown 7, Dowie 7, Campbell 8 — Zinni 8, Petersen 9, Miranda 8, Wade 8 — Cullen 7, Sweeney 7. Coach: John Margaritis.
Best six for Boral Bricks Player of the Year award: 6. Petersen (BJ), 5. Banovic (BJ), 4. Miranda (BJ), 3. Russell (SMH), 2. Blair (SMH), 1. Campbell (BJ).

MELBOURNE CROATIA 0 FOOTSCRAY JUST 1 (Bonacic 70th) at Olympic Park. Attendance: 2000 (estimate). Ratings by Peter Desira.
MELBOURNE CROATIA: Runjo 8 — Deankovic 7 (sent off 76th), McIntosh 6, Curcio 6, Hannah 7 — Campbell 6 (Lubic 77th), Antolovic 7, Cristallo 7 — Markovic 7, Gojovic 8, Ward 6, Coach: Domagoj Kape Ivanovic.
FOOTSCRAY JUST: Bolan 8 — Barjaktarevic 7, Kyriakoulas 7, MacLeod 7, Karic 7 — Tapa 6, Kodjo 9, Bonacic 8 (sent off 76th), Belic 7 — Paton 6 (Carroll 69th), Lujic 6 (Buljevic 83rd), coach: Rocco Ilie.
Best players for Boral Bricks player of the year award: 6. Kodjo (JUST), 5. Gojovic (MC), 4. Bonacic (JUST), 3. Runjo (MC), 2. Boland (JUST), 1. Kyriakoulas (JUST).

PRESTON MAKEDONIA 4 (Spink 2, Smith, Lane pen) BRISBANE LIONS 0 at Connor Reserve. Crowd about 750. Ratings by Ken Kontea.
PRESTON MAKEDONIA: Traianedes 7 — McMillan 7, Dobson 7 (inj), Piculovski 73rd, Dunn 8, Heys 7 — Iliosi 7, Petrov 7, Opanisic 7, Lane 7 — Smith 7, Spink 2. Coach: Billy Murray.
BRISBANE LIONS: Evans 7 — Jackson 5 (sent off 37th), A. Hunter 7, R. Stewart 7, D. Hunter 6 — Basing Thwaite 6, J. Stewart 7, Ogden 7 — Daunt 5 (McGregor 74th), Redmond 6 (Vasquez 74th), Wright 7. Coach: Gordon Arrowsmith.
Best six for Boral Bricks Best Player award: 6. Dunn (PM), 5. Petrov (PM), 4. J. Stewart (BL), 3. Lane (PM), 2. Spink (PM), 1. A. Hunter (BL).

WEST ADELAIDE HELLAS 0 SUNSHINE-GEORGE CROSS 1 (Faulkner 74th) at Hindmarsh Stadium. Crowd: about 3,000. Ratings by Allan Crisp.
WEST ADELAIDE HELLAS: A. Crook 8 — Brown 7, Honeyman 9, Heim 7 — Genikas 8, Manou 7, Atsalas 7, Panagis 6 (Stefanopoulos 60th), Matiskac 6 — Price 7, Konstantopoulos 7. Coach: Neil McGahey.
SUNSHINE-GEORGE CROSS: Kastner 9 — Scerri 7, Richardson 8, James 8, Taylor 7 — Mitten 7, Faulkner 8, MacLaren 8 (Campbell 92nd), Bain 6 — Gilder 7, Latif 7. Coach: John Gardiner.
Best six for Boral Bricks best player award: 6. Kastner (SGC), 5. Honeyman (Westad), 4. James (SGC), 3. A. Crook (Westad), 2. MacLaren (SGC), 1. Genikas (Westad).

NORTHERN DIVISION

INTER-MONARO 1 (Carbone, 3rd minute) WOLLONGONG 1 (Bundalo, 47th) at the National Sports Centre, Crowd 650. Ratings by Peter Windsor:
MONARO: Hocking 7 — Williams 7, Santolin 6, Budini 7, (Titilas 72nd), Tullia 9 — Ambrosino 8, Carbone 8, Willox 8 — Giampaolo 6, Brennan 6 (Walsh 58th), Thameis 6.
WOLLONGONG: Billington 7 — Green 7, Willis 7, Villetta 7, Gaffney 7 — Dickson 8, Bundalo 8, Kerr 6, Marton 8 — Kotamandis 6 (Brodnik 79th), Godzik 8.
Best six players for Boral Bricks award: 6. Tullia (IM), 5. Willox (IM), 4. Bundalo (W), 3. Godzik (W), 2. Ambrosino (IM), 1. Marton (W).

86 SYDNEY CROATIA 0 at Sydney Athletic Field. Crowd: 8420. Ratings by Peter Scott.
HAKOAH Pezzano 7 — Rodrigues 9, O'Connor 8, Robertson 8, Cant 9 — Watson 8, Gomez 8, De Marigny 8, Lee 7, Kosmina 7, Fletcher 7. Coach: Eddie Thomson.
CROATIA: Woodhouse 7 — Basic 6 (Cinch 46th), Rozic 7, Vidacic 6, Rezo 6 — Savor 6 (Caleta 75th), M. Kovacic 7, Odzakov 7, Dragicevic 6, Arnold 6, Patikas 6. Coach: Vedran Rozic.
Best six: 6. Cant, 5. Rodrigues, 4. O'Connor, 3. Watson, 2. Robertson, 1. De Marigny (all Hakoah).

PENRITH 0 APIA LEICHHARDT 1 (Bertogna 1st) at Cook Park. Crowd 200. Ratings by Tony Raciti.
PENRITH: Gibson 7 — Brogan 5, Toohy 6, Campbell 6, Heib 5 — Wotherspoon 7, Hunter 4, Easthope 7 — Jones 2, Jackson 5 (sent 58th Carbon). Licata 4. Coach: Willie Wallace.
APIA LEICHHARDT: Catlin 7 — Caschicchia 6, Bertogna 7, Mariani 5, Brown 7 — Butler 5, Hamilton 7, Steven 7 — Caban 4, De Cejlin 7 (rep 29th Genovese 6), Morsello 4.
Best six for Boral Bricks Player of the Year Award: 6. Hamilton (AL), 5. Bertogna (AL), 4. Wotherspoon (P), 3. Easthope (P), 2. Brown (AL), 1. Steven (AL).

NEWCASTLE ROSEBUD: 3 (Power 78th, MacQuarrie 81st, Stewart 89th) ST GEORGE BUDAPEST 4 (Morgan 28th, 58th, 60th penalty Slater 77th) at Adamstown Oval — Crowd 1653. Ratings by Joe Lanzoni.
NEWCASTLE ROSEBUD: Gosling 5 — Miller 6, Power 7, Boaguard 7, Mark Jones 5 — MacQuarrie 8, Senkalski 6, Brandt 5 — Stewart 6, Told 5 (69th Milevovic 6), David Jones 5, Coach: Willie Gallagher.
ST GEORGE: Greedy 7 — Skeen 7, Mike O'Shaugh 7, Green 6, Bozanic 6 (65th Petkovski 6), Ratcliffe 7, John O'Shaugh 7, Ricoy 7, Slater 8, Morgan 8, Barton 6 (65th Kozka 6), Coach: Frank Arok.
Best six for Boral Bricks award: 6. Morgan (SG), 5. Slater (SG), 4. MacQuarrie (N), 3. Ratcliffe (SG), 2. Mark Jones (N), 1. Skeen (SG).

MARCONI 4 (Brown 6th, 70th, Jankovic 63rd, Lowe 16th) CANBERRA OLYMPIANS 1 (Gibson 48th) at Marconi Stadium. Crowd: 1147. Ratings by Alex Vesic:
MARCONI: McPherson 8 — Carter 8, Henderson 8 (Shane 65th), Sterney 7, Rizzotto 6 — Mason 7, Gray 7, Tredinnick 8 — Lowe 8, Jankovic 8, Brown 9. Coach: Les Scheinflug.
CANBERRA: Franken 8 — Ontony 6 (Dunn 77th), Jones 7, Harkins 6, Burke 7 — Sermeni 6, Byrne 7, Bryant 8 — Lamond 6 (English 67th), Phillips 5, Gibson 6.
Best players for the Boral Bricks award: 6. Brown (M), 5. Carter (M), 4. Franken (C), 3. Lowe (M), 2. Bryant (C), 1. Jankovic (M).

SYDNEY OLYMPIC 3 (Provan 35 and 62 mins, Kalantzis 56 min). BLACKTOWN 2 (Bradley 1min, Larkin 22min) at Pratten Park. Attendance 4576. Ratings by Andrew Dettre.
SYDNEY OLYMPIC: Meier 7 — Rogers 6 (Harrois 46m), Lambropoulos 6, Raskopoulos 6, Jennings 6 — Ogun (Sivins 27min 7), Patalis 5, Provan 8 — Soper 5, Kalantzis 7, Johnston 5, Coach: Manfred Schaefer.
BLACKTOWN: Hoare 6 — Skellern 5 (Botalico 82min), Pointer 6, Daley 7, Bourke 6 — Selvaige 7, Knight 5 (Northwaite 54min), McKie 6, Bradley 7, Larkin 6, O'Connor 7. Coach: Casey De Bruin.
Best players for Boral Bricks award: 6. Provan (SO), 5. Kalantzis (SO).

Petersen, Banovic lift Juve

to top of ladder



• Angie Postecoglou of Hellas demonstrates one way to stop Juventus winger Andrew Zinni.

Monaro's march



Peter Windsor

Inter Monaro 1 Wollongong 1

Scorers: Carbone (IM), Bundalo (W).
Venue: Bruce Stadium.
Referee: R. Davies 7.
Cautions: Thempidis, Williams.

Inter-Monaro hit the woodwork four times after taking the lead in the third minute.

Monaro has now taken seven of a possible eight points in its past four matches and trails Canberra Olypians only on goal average.

Monaro immediately broke Wollongong's defence on Sunday.

Baz Giampaolo, his way to goal blocked temporarily, cleverly slotted the ball to midfielder Attilio Carbone who was free on the right flank. Carbone moved but two metres before blasting his shot well out of the reach of Wollongong's young goalkeeper, Sean Billington.

Monaro squandered the solitary goal lead just two minutes into the second half.

Man of the match:
MIKE TULAWA
(Inter Monaro)

Veteran midfielder Dez Marton, who has made such a big difference to the Wollongong side, sent Alex Bundalo away with a perfectly weighted through ball and when Bundalo found Michael Hocking badly positioned in Monaro's goal he had no difficulty in finding the back of the net.

In the 53rd minute a smart Monaro breakaway move saw Thempidis force his way into the box before slipping the ball to Giampaolo whose ground shot had Billington beaten but hit the post.

Less than a minute later Carbone deserved his second with a magnificent, first-time 30 metre shot that smashed against the crossbar.

Wollongong, was revitalised by its goal, with both Bernie Godzik and Bundalo using the wings to good effect and Marion and Gaffney having a much better second half in the midfield.

Only five minutes remained when the woodwork saved Monaro.

It was wily Dez Marton who saw his snap ground shot hit the post, bounce back into play for Godzik to hammer the loose ball into the wall and finally Gaffney shot it over the bar.



Laurie Schwab

SM-Hellas 1 BU-Juventus 3

Scorers: Juve: Lewis 40th, Petersen 71st, Sweeney 79th; Hellas: Egan 42nd.

Venue: Middle Park.
Cautions: Miranda (BJJ), Postecoglou (SMH), Petersen (BJ).

Sent off: Blair (SMH) 78th.
Referee: Chris Bambridge 8.

Juventus coach John Margaritis — a member of the 1962 team that won Hellas's first championship — stood tall at Middle Park once more after Juventus had replaced Hellas at the top of the Southern Division ladder.

In the finest game of the season, Juventus vanquished Hellas due to the extraordinary ability of Mike Petersen, the breathtaking goalkeeping of Yakka Banovic and the shrewd leadership of Margaritis.

Hellas, though, fought tooth and nail until the end — even after Steve Blair had been sent off in the 78th minute, and John Yzendoorn had limped off with a nasty injury five minutes earlier.

But Hellas missed the creativity usually provided by Oscar Crino in midfield. Crino was serving a one-match suspension.

Strikers Doug Brown and Charlie Egan compensated for Crino's absence by playing some defence-splitting one-twos in the first half — one of which resulted in a goal and the other in an unbelievable miss by Egan.

Juventus centre backs Brian Brown and John Dowie were shaky during this period but when they tightened up their play, opportunities for Brown and Egan became scarce.

Juventus was certainly the superior team in this match, even though Hellas did force Banovic to make those desperate saves.

Man of the match:
MIKE PETERSEN
(BU-Juventus)

The difference was most marked in midfield, where Hellas did a lot of conscientious running, without creating much, while Petersen and Richard Miranda in particular, invariably converted their efforts into scoring chances.

One of the highlights of the match was the battle between Juventus winger Andrew Zinni and Hellas left back Angie Postecoglou. Zinni just kept on coming, Postecoglou stuck with him all the way, and when Postecoglou tried to get forward, Zinni was on his tail.

Zinni and Robert Cullen both darted into the box on separate occasions for shots on the volley, but both went too high. Zinni also flicked on a long ball from Miranda, which came off Bobby Russell's foot and forced Peter Laumets to make a desperate save in turning the ball past the post to prevent an own goal.

Hellas could have had Brazilian star Geovani of Vasco Da Gama as a guest player for this match but coach Len McKendry opposed the committee and refused to have him.

Margaritis usually adheres firmly to the adage that you don't change a winning team, but he made an exception in this case, preferring Nick Wade to Fabio Incantapulo who was on the ground when Juventus scored its two goals against Makedonia the previous week.

Bobby Russell was the star of the match for much of the first half, stopping everything in defence and dealing capably with Cullen, even after he suffered a blood nose.

The first dangerous shot at goal did not come until the 16th minute. Juventus right back Peter Lewis had the ball under control inside the penalty area, when Doug Brown suddenly stole it away from him with a challenge from behind. Brown faced Banovic but the angle was too great, and Banovic saved.

Four minutes later, Hellas surely should have taken the lead.

Egan played a short lob to Brown, who speared a pass through the defence for Egan to run onto. Egan left sweeper John Dowie behind, faced Banovic and shot straight at him!

But if Egan messed up, so too did Cullen in the 26th minute, when he lashed out at the ball inside the six-yard box and missed it altogether!

Cullen made up for it by winning the ball from Russell in the corner and sending it square to Miranda who was steaming through from midfield. Although unchallenged when he took his shot, Miranda sent the ball straight at Peter Laumets.

Russell defended with typical resolve when he flew in front of Joe Sweeney at the far post to head away a ball which Sweeney almost certainly would have buried.

It was in the 37th minute that Russell almost beat Laumets for an own goal. Miranda played the long ball, Zinni went up and flicked it on with his head, and in passing back to Laumets, Russell placed the ball wide of the goalkeeper — almost with fatal consequences.

Eddie Campbell played his usual reliable, aggressive and creative game on Juventus's left flank and it was from one of his crosses, headed on by Wade, that Sweeney shot across goal just before Juventus took the lead in the 40th minute.

Petersen, breaking away through the midfield, finally laid the ball off for Lewis who had come parallel with him. Lewis sidestepped Yzendoorn with the aplomb of a striker and fired a brilliant 26-metre shot into the top corner.



• Steve Blair (left) who later was sent off, confronts Richard Miranda at Middle Park. Between them is Carl Halford. Pictures by LES SHORROCK.

Egan and Brown combined to level the scores three minutes before half time. Egan started the move with a square ball to Brown whose return pass appeared to spin off the foot of centre back Brian Brown, putting Egan through to score off the outstretched fingers of Banovic.

Hellas started the second half determined to get the upper hand. Doug Brown played a nice square pass to Gary McDowell for a shot from inside the area, but Banovic got down to palm it across goal one-handed. Egan, at the far post, just failed to get another touch which would have put the ball into the net.

Then Miranda powered past Murphy in midfield and sent a dangerous cross into the penalty area where Cullen jumped and volleyed over the bar unchallenged.

Yzendoorn started one of the best moves of the game in the 66th minute. He sent Carl Halford away with a pass, Halford delayed long enough for Yzendoorn to get into position, then crossed for Yzendoorn's

header at point-blank range but miraculously, Banovic got a hand to it and turned it over the bar.

Five minutes later, a clearance by Brian Brown fell to Murphy who blasted it from inside the area, but Banovic flew and got both hands firmly around the ball.

Juventus took a 2-1 lead with a brilliant, curling free kick by Petersen, just inside the near post, and only two minutes later Manny Anezakis, who already had played in the youth game, replaced injured Yzendoorn in defence.

Then, more problems for Hellas. Cullen, in his best run of the match, weaved past Russell and then Blair, and waited for a moment before crossing in the direction of Sweeney. During that delay, Blair rode Cullen into the ground, and referee Chris Bambridge sent off the big defender, who had been so dominating in the air.

Down to 10 men, and pushing forward, Hellas was a sucker for the counter-attack and the through ball.

And who better to kill off the reigning national champion than Petersen who had dominated this match in the midfield?

With the Hellas defence advancing, Petersen speared a pass through the middle for Sweeney to run onto. Postecoglou had not advanced as quickly as the other Hellas defenders, leaving Sweeney onside. Laumets raced towards the big striker, who tapped the ball past him from the edge of the area, into goal.

Fans left the ground thoroughly entertained. Everyone I spoke to raved about the spectacle. Frank Micic, one of the our all-time greats, went so far as to remark that this had been better sport than they played in his day. Cedo Cirkovic called it the best game of the season. Referee Bambridge said: "If the players played like this in every game, we'd have fans coming back in their thousands."

The result of the match leaves Juventus with a superior record against Hellas in the NSL — 2 wins, 1 draw and 1 loss, with a goals tally of 7-5.

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Man of the match:
CLAUDE LUCCHESI
(Green Gully)

McLachlan resigns, Short takes over

By LAURIE SCHWAB

Green Gully 2 AC-Juventus 3

Scorers: GC: Lucchesi 37th, Lewis 54th, AC: Maxwell 58th, 85th, Northcote 76th. Venue: Green Gully Reserve. Crowd: about 150. Referee: Bernie Upjohn 8.

Bobby McLachlan resigned as coach of Green Gully, 48 hours after watching Adelaide City Juventus stage a remarkable recovery to down Gully 3-2 in a match tinged with controversy.

Gully's executive met last Monday night and ratified the appointment of former Gully player Steve Short as caretaker coach for the rest of the season. Short has been playing with Victorian Provisional League club Berwick.

"It's the end of the most glorious era in our history," said club president Guy Spiteri, after McLachlan's resignation.

Gully surrendered a 2-0 lead against Adelaide Juventus whose winning goal looked suspiciously offside.

The last Green Gully player to slouch dejectedly off the pitch was Jim Murray who had had the task of marking Steve Maxwell.

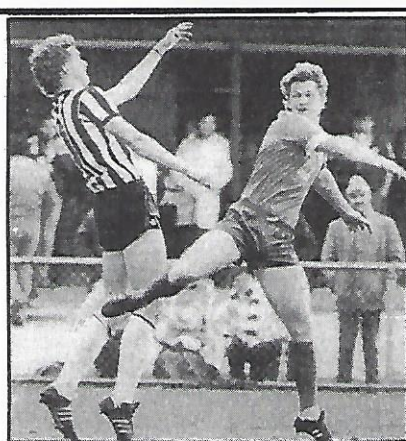
Although he did little else Maxwell shot his team back into the game at 2-1 and scored the winning goal in the 85th minute.

But Maxwell and at least two other Adelaide Juventus players appeared offside when the ball was played from the right flank to the left in the move that brought the winning goal.

Brian Northcote and goalkeeper Willie McNally also contributed to the victory.

Northcote scored the equalising second goal for his team from close range after a Gully defensive mix up in the 76th minute and McNally made three brilliant saves.

He foiled Gully striker Paul Lewis at the 31st minute, flew to the top left of the goal to stop another shot from Lewis' 10 minutes later and, with only two minutes left to play, flicked a promising header from Claude Lucchesi over the cross bar.



No, Green Gully's Paul Lewis (right) hasn't struck Adelaide Juventus defender Alex Tobin. Both players are on the way down after an aerial duel. Picture: LES SHOR-ROCK.

The wind favoured Green Gully in the first half and the home team went to the break with a 1-0 lead, thanks to Lucchesi.

When Sergio Melita, Bugsy Nyskohus and Joe Mullen spoiled each other in the right back position, Lucchesi broke away, faced McNally and placed the ball calmly past him for the opening goal in the 37th minute.

Adelaide Juventus was unlucky not to score just after half time when Charley Villani miskicked inside the goal area.

Gully increased its lead in the 54th minute through Lewis who followed up after a shot by

Lucchesi had bounced off Nyskohus.

It was Lewis' first goal since April 14.

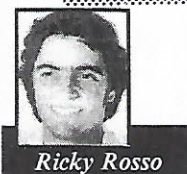
His jubilation lasted only four minutes because Maxwell powered down the left flank and sent an angled shot spinning off the hand of goalkeeper Lou Denys.

Lewis could have wrapped up the match for Gully when he raced away from stopper Neville Flounders on a through ball from Steve McClelland, but missed with his shot.

Northcote levelled at 2-1 in the 76th minute after Villani had played the ball into the penalty area.

Maxwell scored the winner in a breakaway move five minutes from the end.

Tsolakis shines in NSL debut



Ricky Rosso

Bris. City 0 Heidelberg 3

Scorers: Stevenson 17th, Tsolakis 62nd, Stevenson 91st. Venue: Carrara Complex, Gold Coast. Crowd: 2503. Cautions: Scriggins (BC). Referee: Dave Nugent 8.

Heidelberg unearthed a potential star in young winger Peter Tsolakis, who scored and set up another goal on his debut, in this match.

The nimble winger, signed from Port Melbourne, showed plenty of skill and confidence to suggest that he will have a long and successful career.

Tsolakis' determination won the ball and set-up Stuart Stevenson for a header over Kim Wishart in the 17th minute for Heidelberg's first goal.

And, in the same minute of the second half, Tsolakis was on hand to put away a Stevenson attempt which Wishart brilliantly parried off the line.

Tsolakis, who had been in Heidelberg's youth team got his chance because coach Brian Garvey dropped Scott Patterson, Steve Winn and Mike Valentine.

On this performance, it seems unlikely that Garvey will be keen to change his side this week.

Heidelberg looked a classy outfit, and after being left off the book when City missed two chances at a penalty early in the second half, it totally dominated and could have won by several more goals.

The penalty misses swung the game away from City, which was playing its home game on the Gold Coast in a promotional exercise.

City rightly was awarded the penalty in the 58th minute when Charlie Yankos made his first mistake in handballing a cross from young City fullback Glenn Archer, one of his side's few honest players on the day.

In-form Garry Bromfield

Man of the match:
CHARLIE YANKOS
(Heidelberg).



Peter Tsolakis

his side "gave up the fight when things got tough". Garvey had reason to be pleased with his team's performance.

Heidelberg is edging back to top form and could be the side to beat in the second round.

"Through the game we did have our bad spells but we didn't concede any goals during those periods and I guess that is an indication of a side coming into form," he said.

We had a lot more enthusiasm and a lot more teamwork which is what I was looking for this week."

Schaefer's changes stave off disaster



Andrew Dettre

Syd Olympic 3 Blacktown 2

Scorers: Bradley 1st, Larkin 22nd, Provan 35th, Kalantzis 56th, Provan 62nd. Venue: Wentworth Park. Crowd: 4576. Cautions: Pointer, Soper. Referee: Ken Small.

Not even an ancient Eu-

Man of the match:
DAVID PROVAN
(Olympic)

ripides drama could have started with a more telling bang — after 53 seconds Blacktown hit the lead.

Gate-arriving fans were still munching the last bites of their Moussaka when the visitors were embracing diminutive Bradley after he headed home a soft goal, practically unchallenged.

It came at the end of an innocent looking attack and cross into the middle where three Olympic defenders watched, with scant interest, how Bradley gets to a bouncing ball to nod it home.

But worse was to come. With the Olympic centre backs of Raskopoulos and Lambropoulos making one hair-raising error after another, just about every Blacktown counter attack had goal written all over it.

In the 22nd minute the second blow duly arrived. Bourke started a quick move on the left, the ball was played over to the right flank — and appeared to be running out.

Once again, the casually elegant Olympic defenders gambled on the ball going out brilliantly, and a sixpence and like a blond stork, chased it, reached it and slammed it into the corner from an acute angle.

A few minutes later Olympic coach Manfred Schaefer conceded the folly of his original tactical concept and made some vital changes.

Rakopoulos was moved to the middle where he replaced the hapless Ogün, who simply had to make room. In came Svinos to bolster a shaky defence where the suspended Ziras was badly missed — more than would have been expected.

All of a sudden, Olympic became a better balanced side. And when, in the 35th minute, Provan turned brilliantly, and a sixpence and slammed his shot into the roof of the net, the game opened up.

Soper could have made it 2-2 four minutes later but hit an easy shot well over the bar from a few metres. It was a portent of things to come for the Socceroo striker.

As the second half started Olympic kept applying more pressure.

The man who really propelled them forward was Kalantzis, full of exuberance and brio, a worthy partner to the polished, clever and effective Provan.

In the 56th minute Kalantzis got his reward for a fine display, he rose splendidly and sent a bullet-like header under the bar following a corner from the right — taken by Provan, of course.

And six minutes later Olympic hit the lead — thanks to a magnificent Provan solo.

Marconi looks championship material indeed.

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Bonacic off, Kodjo stars

Melb Croatia 0 Foots. JUST 1

Scorer: Bonacic 70th. Venue: Olympic Park. Referee: Jim Fearn 8. Cautions: Deankovic (sent off 76th), Bonacic (sent off 76th), Paton, Belic, McIntosh.



Peter Desira

"If we can beat Melbourne Croatia, we can beat anybody and I can't see any reason for us not to avoid relegation," Kyri Kyriakoules said after this match.

"We've played most of the hard matches against the top teams. In fact we've got only one more hard game coming up this week against Brunswick Juventus."

"The rest of the sides we have to play — the Adelaide and Brisbane teams, Green Gully and even George Cross, we can match."

JUST coach Rocco Iile tried to contain the team's enthusiasm and was already worrying about having to play Juventus without Luka Bonacic, but even he failed to hold back a smile of pleasure, for this important victory could well turn the relegation battle into a downright nobody would have anticipated just a few weeks back.

Bonacic will be sorely missed because he is a quality player — of that there is no doubt.

He proved it with a good all-round performance and crowned the day with a fine

goal in the 70th minute, sending a direct free kick over the defensive wall and into the top corner of the net to reward JUST for a performance which belied its lowly position.

Bonacic lasted only six minutes after scoring that goal before tugging off the field with a broken nose after being shown the red card by referee Jim Fearn, along with Croatia's fullback Drago Deankovic.

The fiery incident that brought about the two send-offs was started by a late tackle by Jozo Antolovic which caught Bonacic and infuriated the Footscray midfielder to the extent that he chased Antolovic for 20 yards.

He was stopped in his tracks by Deankovic and their heads appeared to clash as the two players squared up to each other.

The defeat made it a bad day all round for Croatia which disappointed its supporters by starting the match without Eddie Krncevic (see page one).

Without Krncevic, coach Domagoj Kapetanovic pushed

Man of the match:
JADRANKO KODJO
(Foots. JUST)

Steve Gojevic into a front-running role alongside Gary Ward and Robert Markovic and the Socceroo squad member had an excellent game and came within centimetres of salvaging something from the bad afternoon, meeting a cross from the right with a header that beat Dennis Boland but rebounded off the corner of the crossbar in the dying minutes of the game.

While the switch of Gojevic almost paid off for Kapetanovic, the coach may have played a part in Croatia's downfall by unnecessarily reshuffling the side's backline at half time to bring into midfield Josip Biskic, who had returned on Friday after a four-week sojourn in Croatia to attend his brother's wedding.

Kapetanovic surprisingly substituted fullback George Hannah, who had a good first half, and switched Tony Curcio from sweeper to that leftback role. Biskic came into midfield for Antolovic who was shifted into the sweeper's role.

Curcio appeared uncomfortable at fullback and JUST exploited the weakness fully, creating havoc down that side of the park until it finally converted the advantage with that goal by Bonacic.

Footscray in fact could have gone ahead as early as the 13th minute when Jadranko Kodjo's shot beat Mirko Runje but was cleared off the line by Victor Cristaldo.

Kodjo was the real architect behind JUST's victory, showing some touches of class and close control in the middle of the park and equalling that with excellent distribution.

He came close to scoring a second time in the 60th minute, firing a shot which was goalbound until it struck Kodjo's teammate Jamie Paton.

Marconi 4 Canberra 1

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Venue: Marconi Stadium, Stadium. Crowd: 1145. Referee: P. Rampley 7. Cautions: Oton 9. Scorers: Brown 6th, 70th, Lowe 16th, Jankovic 63rd.

Canberra Olympians offered only token resistance to rampant Marconi and should consider themselves lucky not to have been beaten by a far greater margin.

Marconi's Rod Brown was the star, as he continually harassed Canberra's backline.

His first effort as early as the 4th minute was a classic. Ian Gray made space on the right flank before passing to the far stick for Brown to hammer a first-time volley into the side netting.

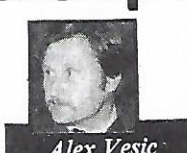
Two minutes later Brown

was on hand to pick up as Jankovic went up for the ball with two Canberra defenders.

It fell loose for Brown and the tall striker wasted little time in slamming a left-foot drive under the crossbar.

David Lowe saw his volley shave the bar soon after, but he was on hand to score a few minutes later from a free kick. Jankovic was pulled down from behind some 20 metres from goal and Lowe squeezed his shot just inside the near post from the resultant free kick.

The home side continued to dominate and had Canberra's



Alex Vesic

defence stretched far and wide with Brown, Lowe and Jankovic very close to scoring and Paul Carter having a field day on the right.

Canberra bounced back in the opening minutes of the second half to score through Gibson. Hilton Phillips cut his cross to the far post and Marconi's defenders relaxed for a brief moment, assuming that the ball had crossed the line.

Manis Lamond chased and turned it back for Gibson to score through a maze of legs.

However Marconi was soon back in business with a goal by Jankovic.

Tony Franken managed to save from Jankovic in the 51st, pushing the ball around the post, but some 10 minutes later could do little to prevent Marconi's top scorer from heading into the net after Rod Brown had made a fine break on the right before crossing.

With 20 minutes remaining Canberra was on the ropes. David Lowe faced Franken but his shot bounced off the keeper's legs and Ian Gray. The shot by Gray rebounded to Brown and the youngest right-footed shot into the net.

Franken came into the picture later in the match with some tremendous saves. He was faced by Tredinnick in the 72nd in a one-to-one situation but managed to block the shot then bounced back to save from Ian Gray.

Peter Sharne was through in the 75th from a great through ball by Rizzuto but Franken was there again to fingertip the ball against the bar.

Sharne was back after injury.

Marconi's big win sets the stage for a great finish to the season. Marconi's style of play has shown vast improvement this season.

Marconi looks championship material indeed.

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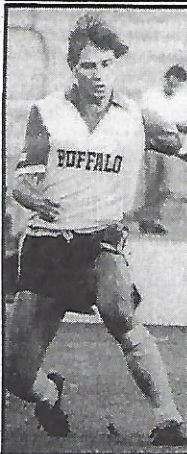
Man of
the match:
LOU KASTNER
(S.Geo.Cross)

**WA-Hellas 0
S.Geo.Cross 1**

Scorer: Faulkner 74th.
Venue: Hindmarsh Stadium.
Crowd: about 3,000.
Referee: Jim Rossis 7.

A large group of wildly enthusiastic Sunshine-George Cross supporters swarmed onto the pitch when referee Jim Rossis blew the final whistle, mobbing their hero, goalscorer Jeff Faulkner, and carrying him shoulder high into the dressing rooms.

But if ever a player deserved such treatment, that player was Sunshine-George Cross goalkeeper Lou Kastner. The ageless Kastner denied Hellas on at least six occasions and covered himself in glory with a world class save in the 37th minute after a thunderbolt unleashed by young West Adelaide Hellas striker George Konstantopoulos. Kastner's opposite number, Alistair Crook, also was outstanding. Hellas's number one custodian, Martyn Crook (no relation) had been laid low by a virus and coach Neil McGachey was forced to resh-



Jeff Faulkner

uffle his side to cover for Martyn's loss as well as that of wide midfielder Alan Scott, who has returned to Scotland to visit his ailing grandfather. Scott will miss five games. McGachey brought beanstalk Les Matiscak into the line-up to fill Scott's role, however Matiscak failed to get into the box in a fashion has been Scott's hallmark this season since joining Hellas from Azzurri.

Sunshine-George Cross was dangerous early but Graham Honeyman stood in its way. Nevertheless, Noel Mitten went mighty close to opening the visitors' account in the 23rd minute when he crashed his header goalward only to have Steve Atsalas head off the line.

Just before the break, Kastner saved from an Atsalas drive and also saved defender Tyrone James from embarrassment by stopping what would certainly have been an own goal had Kastner's reflexes not been so good.

In the 54th minute, Alistair Crook blocked a close range shot from Carl Gilder and midway through the second half Atsalas chipped the ball over Kastner only to watch in dismay as it struck the bar and bounced back into play.

The goal that settled this issue and added to Sunshine-George Cross's top five claims, came in the 74th minute when Tim Brown blocked a drive by Don MacLaren and Faulkner hammered the ball home from close in.

HAKOAH SAYS: THINK AGAIN, CROATIA



Peter Scott

**Syd. Hakoah 2
Syd. Croatia 10**

Scorers: De Marigny 17th, Kosmina 86th.
Venue: Sydney Athletic Field
Crowd: 8420
Referee: Tim Davies 8

If anyone thought the northern division race in the NSL was as good as Croatia's, well, they better think again.

In the wake of last Sunday's top-of-the-table clash Sydney Hakoah has served notice of its intention to make life miserable for all its rivals again this year.

With the final score 2-0 coach Thomson's team told all and sundry that "we played them off the park" and who could argue?

Certainly not Croatia's squad, where goalie Greg Woodhouse confined himself to a string of four-letter obscenities aimed at opposition players, the referee and anyone else who would listen. Perhaps a simple "no comment" would have sufficed.

Thomson claimed his team gave Croatia a soccer lesson in the second half and the events on field bore out his statement. But first there was a first half and the bumper crowd of almost 8500 was at times in some doubt as to the outcome.

In the sixth minute Dragicevic whacked a 12 metre drive against the crossbar and just two minutes later Patikas split the defence beautifully, only to see Arnold hesitate and miss a great opportunity.

Hakoah withstood the early verve and incisiveness of Croatia and gradually asserted its superiority with calm and thoughtful tactics in midfield. The dividend came soon enough when De Marigny piled a huge drive from long range into the top left corner of Woodhouse's net.

Croatia had one more chance to stay in the game when a corner from Odzakovic resulted in a magnificent 11 metre header by Patikas, but this, too, ricocheted off the crossbar. The problem with the league leaders was that Rozic had few opportunities to bring his pinpoint long-range balls into the game as his men were marked very tight.

Patikas did embark on a number of his full blooded runs down field which are his trademark, but he was safely under Hakoah's lock and key at all times.

After the break Croatia completely lost whatever grip it had on the proceedings and the match was well and truly in



Man of the match:
JIM CANT
(Syd. Hakoah)

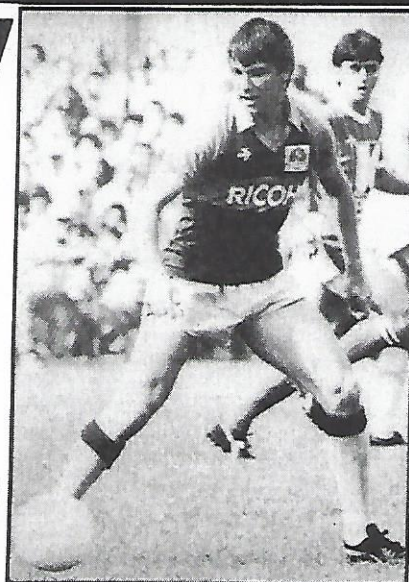
Hakoah's keeping long wore Soccer skipper John Kosmina headed a beautiful Fletcher cross past the flat footed Woodhouse just four minutes from the end.

On several occasions Croatia's defenders were reduced to the status of nothing more than innocent bystanders by the Hakoah attack.

Gomez, otherwise outstanding, and Fletcher especially must shiver with disbelief at the thought of the chances they missed.

There were a few moments of unpleasantness when a fiercely determined Kosmina clashed with goalie Woodhouse, only to be repaid in kind almost immediately after by Vidaic, who collected a caution for his vigorous enthusiasm.

Overall, though, from half time onwards it was a Hakoah cakewalk with solid defence, a clever and skilful midfield and a forward line which, with a little better concentration, could have scored another two or three goals.



By TONY RACITI

**Penrith 0
APIA 1**

Referee: A. Pollard
Venue: Cook Park
Crowd: 200
Scorer: Bertogna 1st.

A goal scored by defender Arno Bertogna in the very first minute of play was enough to give APIA a vital 1-0 victory over Penrith in a very dull affair at Cook Park.

The match-winning goal came about when APIA's new signing, Tom Steven, from NSW State League club Manly-Warringah, forced a corner straight from the kick-off.

Scottish import Jim Hamilton floated over the corner with the ball landing straight at Bertogna's feet just two metres out, and the former Socceroo had little difficulty in converting the opportunity.

The match produced very little to excite the crowd, and with all due respect to every- one concerned with the Penrith club, the attendance at this fixture was less than one would witness at a top of the table junior competition match.

In fact, there is little doubt that there would not have been more than 100 paying spectators, with the remainder of the

crowd, which did not exceed 200, being made up of the two clubs respective officials, relations and friends of the players.

Penrith is a largely populated district, with many thousands of junior players within the area. But it appears that the district simply is not interested in supporting its National League club.

As for the match itself, highlights were few and far between.

The handful of chances created by both sets of front runners were poorly squandered, and the strength behind most shots resembled a pleasant pass back from a defender under pressure.

Both sides sadly lack a quality striker, who can close down the opposition back-four when in possession, a striker who is prepared to run into space, giving the midfield an opportunity to supply it properly, and a striker who can shoot hard, strongly, and on target.

Unfortunately, both APIA and Penrith lack this type of front runner, and both sides contain strikers who simply are not prepared to work and get involved in the match.

For APIA, it was its very first victory in the past six outings, breaking its worst run ever in the NSL.

Although the victory was

Bertogna settles it in first minute

• Arno Bertogna,
APIA's scorer

Man of
the Match:
JIM HAMILTON
(APIA)

desperately needed, APIA still is in a dangerous position on the table, and will need to improve its efforts dramatically if it is to steer clear of relegation.

Jim Hamilton stood out, spraying the ball around with intelligent, accurate passes to Caban, Morsello and Genovese, who replaced De Ceglie after 30 minutes.

But APIA's strikers failed to capitalise on Hamilton's promptings, whilst Bertogna once again was solid at the back.

As for Penrith, Wetherospoon and Easthorpe tried hard, but lacked support from their team mates.

It must be said that APIA deserved the victory, if only due to the fact that it held possession for longer periods of the match than Penrith.

Penrith rarely tested APIA's young 'keeper, Bob Catlin, and the former Manly Warringah junior was called upon only twice during the game to stop moderate shots.

The same can be said for Gibson, who was slightly busier, but was not tested with any strong shot on target.

On this performance, both sides badly need strengthening, and until this is done, at the most, both clubs will have to be content with mid-table positions.

Jackson off, Lions die



Ken Kontra

**Makedonia: 4
Bris. Lions: 0**

Scorers: Spink 16th, 65th, Smith 81st, Lane 94th (pen)
Venue: Connor Reserve
Crowd: about 750
Yellow cards: R. Stewart, Petrov

Red Card: Jackson 37th
Referee: Dennis Voutsinas 8
Brisbane Lions was a man short following the 37th minute sending off of Steven Jackson.

Brisbane Lions battled on gamely, despite its numerical disadvantage, but had little chance against the well organised home team.

Before the match, Bill Murray was very confident of a positive result, saying that his team was really keyed up, they were all buzzing at training and raring to go.

In the enforced absence of Cole and Flavell, Warren Spink and George Petrov were included in the line-up, both acquitting themselves well.

Petrov did particularly well in the first half, but seemed to fade somewhat towards the end of the match, and Spink, in addition to scoring two goals, was involved in the third as well.

With no less than five players under 21 in the team, Makedonia started cautiously and, despite its early goal and equally early departure of Steve Jackson, honours were fairly even in the first half.

In the second half, however, Makedonia knocked the ball around with increased confidence, and after Spink's second goal, the result was never in doubt.

In the 5th minute Makedonia nearly took the lead. Steve

Man of
the match:
ROBBIE DUNN
(Makedonia)

Smith's header from Zoran Illoiski's corner beat the keeper Wayne Evans but Alan Hunter headed clear from the goal-line.

Robbie Dunn latched onto the loose ball but Evans did well to smother the shot and grab the ball at his second attempt.

However, in the 16th minute it was checkmate. George McMillan passed to George Petrov, who spotted the unmarked Warren Spink on his left. He pushed the ball in front of him and Spink fired a low shot in the back of the net from 10 metres.

It was a good move by Preston and good finishing by Spink.

Zoran Illoiski did not see much of the ball in the first half, but became increasingly prominent as the game progressed.

He did well to retain possession, ringed by three defenders in the 65th minute, and when he finally released the ball, all Spink had to do was tap it in from 2 metres for his second goal.

Perhaps the best goal of the match was Makedonia's third in the 81st minute. Con Opaninis crossed the ball, Spink headed it on to Steve Smith, who was just outside the penalty area, straight in front of goal.

Smith saw Wayne Evans about 5 metres off his goal-line, and instead of blasting it, he chipped the ball over the desperately retreating goalkeeper.

In the 84th minute, Robbie Dunn's header rebounded off the crossbar, and from the ensuing battle for possession Dennis Voutsinas picked out a penalty for Makedonia.

Sean Lane duly converted, and Makedonia, after a couple of weeks' heartbreak, finally had reason to celebrate.

NEW WORLD CUP DATES

FIFA has set fresh dates for the two-leg play-offs between the World Cup European group seven runner-up and the Oceania group winner.

FIFA originally had ruled that one of the matches be played on a Saturday in November.

Now both matches will take place on Wednesdays to avoid upsetting domestic league programmes.

The first leg will be in Europe on November 20 with the second leg, staged by the successful Oceania team, on December 4.

**N. Rosebud 3
St George 4**

Venue: Adamstown Oval
Scorers: Morgan (SG) 28th, 58th, 60th, (pen) Slater (SG) 77th, Power (N) 78th, MacQuarrie (N) 81st, Stewart (N) 89th.

Referee: Glyn Davies 7.
Cautions: Power (N), Slater (SG)

For 12 remarkable minutes Newcastle Rosebud led St George Budapest a merry chase.

Three goals and narrowly missed another when Neville Power beat the offside trap by carrying the ball across the defusing line only to be dispossessed by Terry Greedy just as the Newcastle defender was about to slot the ball home in what could have given Newcastle an amazing draw.

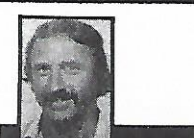
Unfortunately for Newcastle the duration of the game is 90 minutes and for the previous 78 the local team gave a most insipid performance that saw St George coast to a comfortable 4-0 lead.

That lead could have been greater but for Vic Bozanic blasting a penalty kick wide of the upright after Michael Boogaard had handled the ball in the area.

After a scrappy first half in which the only goal scored was a neat header by English import Trevor Morgan from a David Skeen cross, St George resumed breathing fire and Morgan combined with Skeen again when he showed excellent control in bringing down the defender's cross to turn the ball into the net with the defuse nowhere to be seen.

Morgan completed his hat-trick when he converted a penalty after he was brought down in the area by Boogaard.

The former Exeter City player capped a fine display for St George when he set up winger Robbie Slater for the fourth goal.



Joe Lanzoni

It was a fitting reward for Slater who was a constant thorn in the Newcastle side with his acceleration and penetration.

Man of the match:
TREVOR MORGAN
(St. Geo)

Up to that point the local side had given a pathetic display completely devoid of the aggression and enthusiasm for which Newcastle sides have been renowned.

Newcastle's coach Willie

Gallagher was understandably disappointed after the game, remarking that he was being badly let down especially by the more experienced players in his side, who should be the backbone of the team.

On the other side of the coin Frank Arok's tactics of crowding the midfield by pushing Ratcliffe into that area and dropping back Mark Barton was possibly the main reason for Newcastle's poor display.

The local midfield never really got a look in except for those final exciting twelve minutes in which they almost snatched a point out of the fire.

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Club closeup

MELBOURNE

Back row: George Buchanan (assistant coach), John Wallace, John Vathis, Joe Kiss, Tibor Drinoczky, Danny Ward, Marcello Barbas, Pat Bannon (coach), Steve Wild, Lou Szantho (team manager).

Front row: Tony Heery, Mark Dag-nall, John Bird, Lou Theodos, Paris Tzambazis, Gerry Edmondson, Frank Szabadi, Kevin Roberts. Picture: LES SHORROCK.



• The Hungarian Revolution in late 1956 sparked off the formation of Melbourne soccer club, which was founded in 1957 by Joe Andry and Vic Manson and was composed at that time of talented Hungarian newcomers. It didn't take long for Melbourne to be put on a sound basis and the early management and founder members were: Andy Kun, Andy Kovacs, Stephen Mihelyi, Ferencz Marko, Sándor Thompa, Pál Csizmadia, Béla Szepessy, Gyula Szabo and coach Lou Varnai. Melbourne won the fourth division title in 1957, third division in 1958, second division in 1959 and in 1960, the club won the first division title, capping a remarkable surge into State League. And Melbourne surprised everyone by finishing third in its first State League season. Some of the finest players

in Victorian and Australian soccer have worn Melbourne's colors. Players such as Joe Veros, Frank Bors, Károlyi Fekete, Jimmy Garrett, Jimmy Pearson, Jim Malloy, Alan Elliott, Attila Abonyi, Frank Stoffels, Ashy Scott, John McDavid, Billy Rogers, Joe Palinkas, Billy McGowan, Steve Bleskany, Joe Szabo, Fabian Juhász, Henry Surma and a host of others, have made the history of Melbourne synonymous with true quality. Not that the club's coaching staff over the years has been any different. Names like Róla Rasic, Ken Kontra, Varnai (who played with Újpest and Hungary), Jim Adam, Danny McMinimée, Mike Lynn, Tommy Randles, Bill Walsh and Cedo Cipkovic spring quickly to mind. Perhaps the golden year in

Melbourne's proud history came in 1967 when the team won the State League championship, the Australian Cup and was a finalist in the Ampol Cup. Melbourne won the 1973 Ampol Cup. But by then, the club was in a slump and in 1975, Melbourne finished last in State League, five points adrift from second bottom side Wilhelmina. So 10 years on, Melbourne is poised to return to State League with the side one of the pacesetters in First Division. And what a marvellous moment that will be for loyal Melbourne supporters such as Pál Csizmadia, a founder member still on the committee. The new Melbourne is coached by former Heidelberg great Paddy Bannon. New signings this year have been

Tony Heery (from Prahra Celtic), Gerry Edmondson (from Doveton), Tibor Drinoczky (from Prahra Slavia), Joe Kiss (from Sunbury), John Wallace (from Hamlyn Rangers) and John Vathis (from Polonia). Drinoczky, Kiss and Wallace all are former Melbourne players. Wallace was at the club during its halcyon days. Off the field, things at Melbourne also are going well. The club is in its second season at its headquarters in Williamstown and once its complex is completed it will include plush social rooms, full catering facilities, dressing rooms for juniors and seniors, junior grounds and training pitches. In some respects, Melbourne has been in the wilderness for the past decade. That's all about to change in 1985.

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POSTSCRIPT TO THE INTERNATIONAL SERIES...



Enthusiastic Honeyman

While sitting on the bench during the recent international series wasn't the preferred option as far as Graham Honeyman is concerned, he's still thrilled at being selected by Frank Arok in the national squad.

"It's a real bonus for me either way, whether I'm on the bench or on the field, for I'm 32 and coming from Adelaide you don't get too many chances," said Honeyman (pictured).

But sitting on the bench during Australia's 2-1 win over Udinese, even though Arok first had said that Honeyman would play in that match, hasn't dampened Honeyman's enthusiasm to work his way into the starting line-up.

"I'm available for all the training camps. That's certain. And Frank Arok said to me that he'd be considering giving me a run in the next international series in a month or so."

Honeyman, understandably elated at the Soccereroos success in the recent series, agreed with most observers that the national team was underrated by the opposition.

"It's become a pretty physical game nowadays and like Frank Arok said, by the time the other teams realised that we could play, it was too late."

— CRAIG MACKENZIE

Refs and MCG a worry



KEN KONTRA

Even the most sceptical supporters must be satisfied with the Australian team's fine play, tactical discipline and fantastic results achieved during the recent international tournament against Spurs, Udinese and Vasco Da Gama.

Frank Arok's selection of players (always a contentious issue with any team) has been vindicated and at least temporarily, has silenced the genuine critics as well as the "knockers". Arok can now concentrate on preparing the team for what surely is the most difficult World Cup qualifying campaign we have ever faced.

The promoters of the tournament must be congratulated on providing world-class opposition for the Soccereroos and for putting up a substantial financial incentive for the visitors to perform at their best.

For one, always believed that there is no real contest without a stake, and consequently viewed "friendly" matches between our representative teams and overseas club teams with a degree of suspicion.

The sizeable prizemoney certainly removed any lingering doubts in this area, and added further glitter to Australia's historic win.

Nevertheless, there are a number of things we can improve upon with regards to similar tournaments.

First of all, our referees must realise that there is no such thing as giving "benefit of the doubt" decisions in soccer. The laws of the game apply equally to multi-million dollar



National coach Frank Arok

superstars and provisional league amateur players and must be enforced. We do not want home town decisions, but we must not give special privileges to the visitors just to prove how far we are.

Perhaps the solution is to invite neutral referees from outside Australia. No doubt our own referees would benefit from watching top-class overseas referees in action, and the players would more than likely respond positively to officials who are above question one way or another.

Secondly, I believe that the obvious has been proven without any shadow of a doubt, the MCG is not a suitable venue for soccer!

It is far too big, the crowd is too far from the action and the surface is not really good enough for international competition.

I am sure, that despite the adverse publicity arising from the Brussels disaster, at least 20 per cent more spectators would have turned up, had the games been held at Australia's number one soccer stadium, Olympic Park.

Supporters are used to Olympic Park, the facilities there are excellent, and the capacity quite sufficient for the crowd we can realistically expect at this stage.

At any rate, it would be far better publicity to turn people away from Olympic Park, should the unexpected occur, than to watch the predictably empty terraces at the MCG!

Maybe there is a very good reason for using the MCG that I am not aware of. If it is the case, then I question the promoter's sense for publicity!

If I had to use the MCG, I would certainly make every effort to attract as many people as possible, and here are a few suggestions:

1. Reduce the admittance charge by say 40%.
2. Free admittance for children under 16 and females in the company of males.
3. Issue free tickets to schools and junior clubs.

Even 80,000 spectators admitted free, would not have squeezed out one paying customer in this vast stadium, but any increase in attendance, would have created more media interest and without a doubt more paying spectators for the next tournament.

I believe a great opportunity has been missed to promote Soccer by the choice of venue in the first place and secondly, having made what I regard the incorrect decision, aggravating the situation by not taking advantage of the one thing the MCG has to offer, namely capacity.

Finally, let me say, that during my 34 years involvement in Australian Soccer, I have never seen our national team in better shape!

If Frank Arok and his "mad dogs" can keep up the momentum, we can all look forward with optimism to the future, and the realisation of what appeared to be the "impossible dream" only a couple of weeks ago!

Why our kids can't watch the Soccereroos

It's so hard not to sympathise with Peter Sheehan one shouldn't even try. This enterprising marketeer, West Nally pro-consul, ex-Parramatta Stadium protagonist and now power behind the ASF throne, last week gave notice of plans so ambitious they made me shudder.



Andrew Dettre

Sheehan, this George Peppard look-alike, said he wants to reform our soccer calendar. Well, he didn't use those very words but the sum total of his thoughts amounted to it.

He intimated — by, threatening — that he might switch off the free-flowing West Nally funds unless his international promotions get better co-operation from our soccer infrastructure.

What Sheehan had in mind was this. He wants all lower grade and junior soccer matches scrapped on the day big internationals are held in a city, enabling amateurs, juniors and their parents to watch world stars in action.

This, of course, is not purely for their education but for the sake of better attendances. An eminently worthy idea.

Then Sheehan also wants to ensure that whenever the major football venues of a city are available on a Sunday, his internationals will be played on a Sunday, not the day before, and followed next day by an NSL round. A logical plan.

It's hard to argue with either of his requests (demands might be more accurate, knowing the Irish stubbornness of the man).

I feel the NSL may agree to any reasonable proposal, even a small subsidy from West Nally — possibly even the promise of one — would sweeten their pill.

But Sheehan will find the juniors and amateurs a totally different proposition.

Both bodies pretend to be fiercely independent, they have traditionally ignored the wishes of the NSW Federation, NSL, ASF, FIFA, the damned lot.

On countless occasions in the past, the various junior associations went on with their own little competitions and promotions when these clashed with big senior programs.

We might have had Santos with Pele in Sydney, a grand final or two even World Cup matches — but our little junior carnivals or play-off series went ahead as scheduled.

Mind you, Australian soccer has that habit of telling authorities where to get off.

In 1974 we became the first and only country in the world having a team in the World Cup finals — while, simultaneously, the domestic (State) championships went on, with only a few games postponed.

The junior officials have been called every unflattering thing under the sun for their lack of co-operation but they have refused to budge.

Because they cannot budge.

What senior soccer is asking for is the sacrifice of "postponing" junior matches on the red-letter days.

But postponement is really cancellation. There are no spare days in the soccer calendar.

Children cannot play mid-

week evening because there are no floodlit grounds. At the end of the season, they cannot extend their calendar by a few weeks — because there are no grounds available.

Cricket, which went into hibernation at Easter, takes over again.

The chronic shortage of suburban grounds — or rather, the heavy usage of them by various sports poses big problems. Nobody has managed to overcome these so far. The odds are against Peter Sheehan.

Australian sport is hopelessly fragmented. On the Continent, football grounds are used for football 95 per cent of the time; the exceptions are the occasional, very rare outdoor handball games.

But in Australia, cricket and football share the year. Within the context of "football" soccer must further share the grounds with three other codes.

And that's why junior soccer cannot and will not consider giving up those previous days when they do have the grounds.

If Peter Sheehan and the ASF hope to entice amateurs, juniors and their parents to big international matches, they should forget about asking for co-operation — that cannot be given — and should set the time and day of their matches to suit as many people as possible.

Any other arrangement will result in further disappointments and wild accusations.

No more Manchester United nonsense, we were told; no repeat of the 1984 farce when the crack British side came with virtually their second string team.

"Tottenham," said the official announcement, "will be here with a full complement. Everybody will be here," they said, "except perhaps Glen Hoddle."

Yes. And Perryman, Stevens, Crooks, and Allan. Everybody except Hoddle. Plus these four.

Belatedly, perhaps, but let me add my comment to the Charlie Egan episode.

The \$500 fine imposed on him for his criticism of the national team was quite outrageous — it's against personal and press freedoms we believe in.

If Egan is smart, he'd get a good lawyer and fight the case.

One can only wonder how much the ASF could collect if they also had the right to fine journalists.

Egan, in my view, made one big mistake. He opened his mouth too late, months after the tour. And that must have dented his credibility.

But he had every right to say what he did say and withdraw from the national team.

Costa keeps out Hellas



Man of the match: ROBERTO COSTA (Vasco Da Gama)

SM-Hellas 0
Vasco Da Gama 1

Score: Roberto Dinamite 85th.

Venue: Olympic Park, Thursday night.

Crowd: about 2100.

Referee: Bernie Upjohn 6.

HELLAS: Laumets 7.

Russell 7, Zyzendorn 8, Blair 7, Pasteroglou 7, Pasteroglou 7, H. Halford 9, Crino 6, Murphy 6.

Egan 8, Brown 7. Coach: Len McKendry.

VASCO DA GAMA: Roberto Costa 9, Donato 7, Noi 7, Nene 8, Ivan 6 (Lita 6, half time).

Gilberto 5 (Mittan Mendes 75th), Geovani 8, Oliveira 7, Mauricinho 8, Roberto Dinamite 7, Romulo 7 (Romario 75th). Coach: Edu.

Sensational goalkeeping by Roberto Costa and Carlo Halford's best midfield performance of the season highlighted this exhibition match at Olympic Park.

It was hurriedly arranged, it was Vasco's third appearance in Melbourne, and there had been games on the Monday and the Sunday, so one couldn't really have expected more than the paltry attendance that turned up.

Hellas, however, was up for only Vasco's accommodation.

By LAURIE SCHWAB



Roberto Costa

costs in Melbourne, so the exercise didn't cost the club any money and proved a more enjoyable training run than most.

Vasco did not show the same commitment it had in the final of the international series against Australia, and had Roberto Costa to thank for its victory.

Coming in for Acacio who had played in the final, Roberto Costa raced 15 metres outside his area to cut off Charlie Egan in the 25th minute, and from then on was unbeatable.

He grabbed a long-range shot from Ken Murphy at his second attempt in the 27th minute, stopped John Zyzendorn's run into the box in the 55th minute, smothered a shot by Murphy at point-blank range in the 64th after a nice cut-back by Halford, dived on the ball as Gary McDowell was trying to dribble around him in the 68th and blocked McDowell again in the last minute.

Geovani impressed in his first full game in Australia —



Carlo Halford

and it's a real shame that Hellas coach Len McKendry rejected the chance to have Geovani as a guest player against Juventus last Sunday.

The little midfielder has real class, Zico has said of him. "He's the one player I see in our game today who could finish his career with a reputation similar to Pele, Garrincha, Falcao or Socrates."

Vasco Da Gama scored its winning goal five minutes from the end, when, after good work by Geovani, team captain Roberto Dinamite fired a shot from the edge of the area.

Roberto Dinamite had curled a free kick into the net in the 7th minute, but for some reason referee Bernie Upjohn ordered it to be retaken, and with the next attempt, Romulo lobbed over the bar.

Vasco's other scoring chance came in the 61st minute. Roberto Dinamite passed square to Mauricinho who cut it back for Gilberto who, however, shot meekly straight at goalkeeper Peter Laumets.

Atromitos, Radnicki Belgrade beaten

South Melbourne Hellas long has been in the vanguard of international competition. In the past 10 years, it has taken on opponents from Greece, New Zealand, Yugoslavia and Czechoslovakia, often in conjunction with Footscray J.U.S.T.

Details of those matches:



• Bourne • Armstrong • Joraja • Evans • Buljevic

1972
HELLAS-J.U.S.T. 2 (Bourne, Buljevic) SLOVAN BRATISLAVA 8 (San Capkovic 3, Svetlik, Masny, Modar, Harsalin, Ziocha) at Olympic Park. Crowd about 1000.

HELLAS-JUST: Fode (Vojatovic) — Zivkovic, Rasoa, Lopatic, Bedford — Pyrgiolos (Armstrong), Gorrie, Bourne (Armstrong), Buljevic (Mendall), Buljevic.

SLOVAN BRATISLAVA: Sedlak — Josef Capkovic (Goph), Mokos, Hradicki, Ziocha (Kozman), Medick (Medar), Hradicki, Pekarik (Masny), Svetlik (Harsalin), Jan Capkovic.

1973
HELLAS-JUST 3 (Gorrie, Little, Bourne) RADNICKI BELGRADE 1 (Radmanovic) at Olympic Park, crowd about 2500.

HELLAS-JUST: Milisavljevic — Zivkovic (Lopatic), Bedford, Walker, Kadi — Lukic, Bourne, Joraja (McIntyre), Buljevic, Zoraja (Hraspin), Little.

RADNICKI BELGRADE: Milisavljevic — Anokic (Kozman), Silenik, Radmanovic, Petrovic — Boskovic, Sobocan, Seferovic — Novkovic, Pavlovic, Isailovic.

1976
HELLAS-ALEXANDER 4 (Ollerton, Gibson, Armstrong, Pyl) ATROMITOS 1 (Pantelidis) at Olympic Park, crowd 12,000.

HELLAS-ALEXANDER: Kennedy (Bosby) — V. Bannan, Xanthopoulos, Walker, Rakovalis (Pyl) — Bourne, P. Bannan, Gibson — Cummings, Ollerton, Armstrong.

ATROMITOS: Ekonomov — Miliailidis, Stafilidis, Tzapatras, Athanasopoulos (Sparantinos) — Katsila (Kontastidis), Domazoz, Raptis — Gioufatos, Borgeles (Karalis), Stavrianos (Kanelos).

1981
HELLAS 3 (Evans, Buljevic, Lutton) HANIMEX (NZ) 0 at Olympic Park, crowd about 1000.

HELLAS: Laumets (Talgaras, Kardamitis) — V. Bannan, Rogers, Xanthopoulos, Lutton — Cummings (Nicolaidis), Stevenson, Shirra — Wooddin (Abrams), Evans (Trellicanis), Buljevic (Owen).

HANIMEX: Gilchrist — Grant-ham, Jamieson, Straufel (Buchanan), Varney — Henry, Clark, Mayer — McKewen, Weymouth, Helios (Conner).

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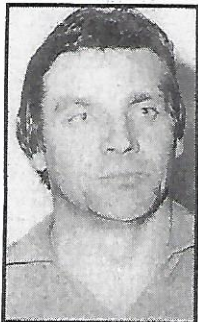
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Leszek Dziakowski

Croydon 0 Polonia 1

Scorer: Warszawski 20th
Venue: Croydon Park

Croydon City's unbeaten record came to an abrupt halt with a 20th minute goal from Polonia's Greg Warszawski.

Mind you, anyone who went to Croydon Park expecting to see smooth silky soccer must have been disappointed.

Polonia's goalmouth in the second half looked like Bourke Street on a Saturday morning as Polonia packed its 18 yard box for most of the 45 minutes. Jim O'Reilly and Graham French both hammered over when it seemed easier to score, and French even missed

By JOHN WALLACE

a penalty. Polonia coach Eddie Reid looked a relieved man at the final whistle.

The solitary goal was a well-executed affair catching Croydon's defence on the break. Alex Livingstone's corner kick was headed clear and the ball was touched forward to Janusz Przybyla who sliced a long diagonal cross to Warszawski.

Billy Whiteside raced off his line to narrow the angle, but Polonia's striker made no mistake, drilling home into the far corner.

After the break, Leszek Dziakowski had his fans cheering wildly, flying high twice to deny Ollerton headers while Kevin Innes stuck his foot to stop a certain goal

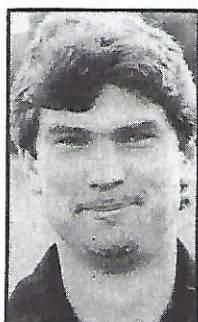
again from Ollerton, who just shook his head in amazement.

Add to that the forementioned shots by O'Reilly and French and you get a pretty fair idea of which way the traffic was flowing.

With four minutes left, French was sandwiched in the box, but with Croydon supporters holding their breath, the big Scot snatched his penalty attempt onto the bar and over.

But you can't begrudge Polonia the points. It was very determined to win.

However, Ollerton's boys have done their championship chance no great harm. After all, they're on top of the league at the half-way mark, which means that Croydon still is the team to beat.



Graham French

North Dandy stuns Nunawading, Melbourne wins battle of students

KEW PARK RANGERS 0 **BROADMEADOWS** 2 (Watson 10th, Vaccaro 75th). Victorian First Division match at Stradbroke Park, Saturday.

KEW PARK RANGERS: Green 6 - Conway 9, Kravens 9, Pappas 7, Wilkinson 6 - Vasilou 5, Parsons 7, McCarthy 6.

BROADMEADOWS: McRae 7 - Smart 8, Donaldson 7, Higham 9, Doss 5 - Watson 10th, Viazli 7, Blair 8 - Vaccaro 8, Griffiths 8, Perlin 7 (Liberto H.T.S.).

Monaghan (sent off 80th), Pace 6, McRobert 7, Frankappa 6.

MELBOURNE: Barlas 7, Wild 7, Vathis 7, Bannan 8, Deppel 8, Wallace 7, Bird 7, Edmondson 8, Theodis 7, Wiant 7, Heery 8.

Moreland played like a team not facing relegation in the first half and gave Melbourne a hard and competitive match.

In the first ten minutes, Moreland mounted a number of attacks and forced three successive corners, putting the Melbourne defence under pressure.

The second half was a different affair, full of incident.

In the 55th minute, some lovely interplay between Wild and Bird on the right, saw the ball pushed into space to Bannan who lined up for 20 metres out and smacked the ball home.

A dubious penalty decision against Vathis was converted by McRobert in the 61st minute. But this only led to Melbourne lifting its game and scoring its second goal 7 minutes later when Heery crossed and Bird flicked it on to Edmondson who smashed it into the back of the net.

ticularly dangerous position. He made ground quickly however and beat Madjer with an angled shot into the corner of the net.

In the 68th minute, Nunawading equalised when Pote chased a through ball that appeared destined to reach Mackie. He just beat the keeper but being forced wide, pushed the ball back to Chris Middlemist who lobbed the ball into the net from the edge of the area.

Instead of taking a grip of the game, Nunawading relaxed and from corners in the 72nd and 80th minutes, North Dandenong regained then increased lead.

From the first corner, Ian Mackie headed in from close range, then he tapped in from two metres after Steve McCombe had hit the bar with a magnificent header from the other corner.

Irvine put St. Oakleigh ahead before the break.

Eltham's problems were compounded by the loss of defenders Banisic and Cirka right on half time.

It was all St. Oakleigh in the second half and it added three goals. Hadzic got a second for Eltham to slightly reduce its embarrassment.

WAVERLEY CITY 0 **HAMLYN RANGERS** 0. Victorian Second Division match at Gardiners Creek Reserve, Waverley.

WAVERLEY CITY: Darch - Coulter, Patterson, Dixon, Wilson - Drougde, Wilcocke, Cooper, Grimwade, Crompton (Storey), Gameros.

Waverley City again failed to convert territorial domination into goals and was held to a draw for the third consecutive home game.

Hamlyn Rangers, like fellow Geelong outfit, Bell Park, two weeks earlier, travelled to Waverley intent on stoking defence, and was rewarded with a point.

Terry Grimwade and Tommy Gameros narrowly missed the target in the first half and Andy Crompton came perilously close to scoring his first goal for Waverley in the second half. Waverley was left to reflect on its imprudent use of possession and danger of dropping points at home in a tight promotion race.

Mental 6 (Tattersall 56th), D. Reid 6, Van Duppen 7, Owen 6, Wallace 6, Knapke 6.

ESSENDON TRIESTINA: Fantoma 7, Dikiza 7, Manini 7, Vesnaver 8, Mussel 9, C. Sabatelli 7, Del Porto 8, Vojtek 8, Malenit 7, Giacomini 8, Klarin 9.

MONASH UNI 1 (Martin 35th), **UNI OF MELBOURNE 2** (Mills o.g. 26th, Lewis 81st). Provisional Division Two match at Monash, Saturday.

MONASH UNI: Carey 5, Smurthwaite 7, Van der Westhuizen 7, Mills 5, Martin 6, Yong 6, Sindair 7, C.E. No. 5, Ikonomou 5, Pahlina 6, Nasalos 6 (sub. Taylor 67th).

UNI OF MELB: McCulloch 6, Hair 5, Atard 8, Sorell 7, Tan 5 (sub. Austen 78th), Golia 6, Giokos 6, Papoulas 7, Gill 5, Clayworth 5, Lewis 6.

It's strange to see a star-studded line-up at Broadmeadows, struggling in First Division. The club boasts many players with NSL and State League experience.

However, Kew always was going to be up against it here. Without suspended striker Billy Henderson in the side, Kew struggled all afternoon to get shots in.

Broadmeadows went ahead in the 10th minute, after a mistake by veteran Kew goalkeeper Jim Green. Lou Vaccaro's curling corner was missed by Green and headed on by Dave Griffiths to George Watson who blasted the ball into the roof of the net from close range.

Vaccaro, with only Green to beat, shot against the bar in the 40th minute but made amends in the 75th minute with the second goal. He got free inside the Kew area after good work by Watson and smacked the ball away from close in.

NUNAWADING CITY 1 (Middlemist 68th) **NORTH DANDENONG 3** (Olliphant 38th 1, Mackie 72nd, 80th). Victorian First Division match at Mahoneys Reserve, Saturday.

NUNAWADING CITY: Madjar, Brown, Moyle, Burt, Deane, Mullert, Greenwald, Nellies, Roggero (Berardini 67th), Middlemist, Pote.

NORTH DANDENONG: D. Mackie, Taylor, Fox, McCombe, Symonds, Olliphant, Swan, Longdon, 1. Mackie, Relph.

A determined North Dandenong made the most of limited chances to earn two vital points.

North Dandenong took the lead in the 38th minute. A quick through ball found Olliphant in space but not in a par-

SOUTH OAKLEIGH 5 (Kalafatis 33rd, 78th, Irvine 39th, Leonardos 55th, Glavidis 88th) **ELTHAM 2** (M. Cirka penalty 5th, Hadzic 65th). Victorian Second Division match at South Oakleigh, Saturday.

SOUTH OAKLEIGH: Talidis 7, Stogiannou 7, Kritsilidis 8, Karapatsos 8, Lalatas 8, Kalafatis 7, Leonardos 7, Micolaidis 9, Gusic 7, Glavidis 8, Irvine 9.

ELTHAM: Panas 4, Banisic 4, (Anagnostou 44th), Shaw 3, Hadzic 4, M. Cirka 3, (Norton 44th), Cochran 3, P. Cirka 5, Itou 4, Schipano 3, Moulas 3, Woodward 3.

The home side kicked off and Glavidis hit the inside of the post after only 30 seconds.

Petar Cirka was fouled in the box and brother Mick did the business from the spot.

Eltham was well on top and had four good scoring chances which were stuffed up.

Kalafatis equalised and

MOOROOLBARK 0 **ESSENDON TRIESTINA 3** (Del Porto 52nd, Klarin 61st, Vojtek 79th). Victorian Third Division match at Esther Park, Saturday.

MOOROOLBARK: Cox 7, Cudde 6, Wilkerson 6, Milrose 6, Brack 7.

Uni of Melbourne scored a shock victory in this historic fixture, the first derby between these famous rivals since 1978.

Monash dominated the game but fell behind when Paul Mills tragically turned a cross past keeper Carey. The home side pulled level less than 10 minutes later when Gareth Martin converted from the penalty spot.

Melbourne was stifled for most of the second half, with Harry Gill and Tony Clayworth subdued, but Monash's frequent sorties went unrewarded. McCulloch did well to push an Ikonomou shot onto the crossbar.

The final drama came nine minutes from the end, when Richard Lewis finished a rare Melbourne attack, scrambling the ball home from a lofted cross - a sickening blow for Monash and joy for Melbourne which celebrated victory against the old enemy.

Buffalo State League standings

	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
CROYDON	8	4	1	26	8	20
MORWELL FALCONS	8	3	2	27	13	19
OLONIA	7	3	3	24	17	17
F'STON PINES	6	4	3	26	17	16
Box Hill	6	4	3	24	18	16
Thomastown	5	5	3	18	15	15
West. Suburbs	5	4	4	17	16	14
Fawkner	5	3	5	22	16	13
Northcote	4	4	5	18	18	12
Alb. Turk Gucu	4	2	7	11	22	10
R. Wilhelmina	3	3	7	10	22	9
Springvale	2	3	8	10	19	7
St. Alb. Dinamo	3	1	9	18	35	7
Knox City	2	3	8	29	7	7

ST ALBANS DINAMO 0 MORWELL FALCONS 2 (McGorian penalty 25th, 65th) at Churchill Reserve, Saturday.

ST ALBANS DINAMO: M. Grgic 6 - Kustura 6, Brkijack 8, Ramjak 7, S. Grgic 5 - Dezie 8, Batovic 7, Radman 6 (Pavlovic 70th), Culina 7 - Kuna 7, Bruno 6. Coach: Tony Vrzina.

MORWELL FALCONS: Blasby 7 - Bingham 7, Bruns 7, Tutill 9, Train 7 - McGorian 5, O'Callaghan 7, MacLean 8, Cassar 6 - Athreyst 7, Striton 6. Coach: Jimmy Dunne.

Best three for Schipano Player of the Year award: 3. Tutill (MF), 2. Brkijack (Dinamo), 1. McGorian (MF).

FRANKSTON PINES 3 (Thomas 22nd, Webster 60th, 84th) **ALBION TURK GUCU 0** at Montary Reserve, Saturday.

FRANKSTON PINES: Beamish 6 - Cumming 8, Thurlow 8, Lawson 7, Ferris 7 - Cooke 8, Armstrong (inj. Cullen 30th), 7, Miller 8 - McGinnigle 7 (Dick 80th), Webster 8. Coach: Danny McMinimee.

ALBION TURK GUCU: W. Bryden 7 - Gart 5, Gilmour 6, Jovicic 5, Douglas 8 - Piccione 6, Reilly 6, Purcell 6 (inj. Eminovski 75th), Alfons 5 - Latif 5, Patsman 5, Con. Coach: Tony Traynor.

Best three for Schipano Player of the Year award: 3. Cooke (Pines), 2. Webster (Pines), 1. Miller (Pines).

CROYDON 0 POLONIA 1 (Warszawski 20th) at Croydon Park, Sunday.

CROYDON: Whiteside 7 - Brown 7, Singleton 8, O'Reilly 7, Tansey 7 - Livingstone 8 (Taylor 5), Kerr 7, Beech 7 - Ollerton 7, French 7, Brogan 8. Coach: Peter Ollerton.

POLONIA: Dziakowski 9 - Lipiarski 8, Innes 8, Smolarek 9, Little 7 - Gibson 9, Avian 6, Gregorczuk 6 (inj. Vonja 70th), Kolaric 6 - Przybyla 7, Warszawski 7. Coach: Eddie Reid.

Best three for Schipano Player of the Year award: 3. Dziakowski (Pol), 2. Smolarek (Pol), 1. Gibson (Pol).

THOMASTOWN 0 KNOX CITY 0 at Partridge Reserve, Sunday.

THOMASTOWN: Rapioni 7 - Carfora 6, Cosentino 6, Smale 7, Accorci 8 - Comar 6, DiMartino 7, B. Coyle 5 - Lalic 6 (Dallas 75th), Alizzi 5 (DiBernardino H.T. 5), Flaherty 7. Coach: Joe Wilson.

KNOX CITY: McTurk 8 - Loy Salsi 8, Bissinger 9, Tunstall 8, Murray 6 (Roddis 60th) - Lucio Salsi 6, Smith 7, Pate 8 - G. Bakker 8, Phillips 6, Wild 6. Coach: Duncan Smith.

Best three for Schipano Player of the Year award: 3. Bissinger (Knox), 2. Accorci (Thomastown), 1. Tunstall (Knox).

WESTERN SUBURBS 2 (McGuinness 60th, Stenson 88th) **SPRINGVALE CITY 0** at Ralph Reserve, Sunday.

WESTERN SUBURBS: Apostolidis 7 - Beattie 7, Dimovski 8, Esposito 8, Howe 7 - K. Coyle 7, Palmicicotti 7, Hamill 7 - Tuck 7, Stenson 8, McGuinness 8, McGuinness 8, McGuinness 8.

SPRINGVALE CITY: Perry Mur 7 - K. Humble 7, G. Bannan 7, Luyten 7, Fitzpatrick 6 - Luca 6, Adams 7, Nelson 6 - D'Amico 6 (Matthews 75th), Garvey 7, Bentley 5. Coach: Ian Greener.

Best three for Schipano Player of the Year award: 3. Esposito (WS), 2. McGuinness (WS), 1. Dimovski (WS).

RINGWOOD WILHELMINA 0 BOX HILL 1 (A. Humble 48th) at Jubilee Park, Sunday.

RINGWOOD WILHELMINA: Lee 7 - Haupt 8, Corke 7, Murray (inj. Kebede 34th), Shannon 7 - van Edmond 7, Storm 7, Burton 7 - Wells 7, Nyholt 5 (Thompson 70th), Stewart 7. Coach: Cor Teeuw.

BOX HILL: Harrison 9 - McPhee 7, McMillan 7, Rodhouse 7 - Taylor 6, Hughes 9, Hennessy 7, Lawler 6 - Verachia 7, A. Humble 7. Coach: Keith Webster.

Best three for Schipano Player of the Year award: 3. Hughes (Box Hill), 2. Harrison (Box Hill), 1. Haupt (Wilhelmina).

NORTHCOE 0 FAWKNER 0 at John Cain Reserve, Sunday.

NORTHCOE: Gianopoulos 8 - Patiniotis 8, Bozikis 7, Cutler 6, Kouremenos 7 - Bekiaris 7, Toro 8, Wilson 7 - P. Constantinou 7, Patsakos 6, Filippis 5. Coach: Jimmy Pyrgiolos.

FAWKNER: Terzini 8 - Lia 6 (Boyle 60th), Fattore 7, Macleod 8, Hobson 7 - Angelle 7, Quigley 8, Mancinelli 7 - Palmaris 7, Cicolani 6 (Petrucci 80th), Loughane 7. Coach: Pepe Carabassi.

Best three for Schipano Player of the Year award: 3. Macleod (Fawkner), 2. Gianopoulos (North), 1. Patiniotis (North).

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Leading votegetters: 19 - Cosentino (Thomastown), 12 - Livingstone (Croydon), MacLean (Morwell), Adams (Springvale), Culina (Dinamo), Haupt (Wilhelmina).

12 - Bissinger (Knox), 11 - Hughes (Box Hill), Dimovski (Suburbs), Webster (Pines), 10 - Harrison (Box Hill), Quigley (Fawkner), McGuinness (Suburbs), Cooke (Pines).

9 - Beech (Croydon), Cozzella (Fawkner), Esposito (Suburbs), Bannan (Springvale), 8 - McMillan (Box Hill), Athersych (Morwell), Rapioni (Thomastown), 7 - Verachia (Box Hill), Jovicic (Albion), Dziakowski (Polonia), Patiniotis (Northcote), Bozik (Dinamo).

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7 - Warszawski (Polonia), Morovic (Dinamo), 6 - Cozzella (Fawkner), 5 - Webster (Pines), Flaherty, Lalic (Thomastown).

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Saturday: Altona City v CAULFIELD, Nunawading City v MELBOURNE, Kew Park Rangers v DUNSTON, SUNSHINE v Doncaster

Sunday: RICHMOND v Nth Dandenong, Moreland v BROADMEADOWS, MORNINGTON v Werribee

DIVISION TWO

Saturday: ALTONA CITY v Bell Park, Ringwood Utd v Nth Geelong (draw), Kellor v HAMILTON RANGERS, WAVERLEY CITY v Royal Richmond, Dandenong City v Eltham (draw), STH OAKLEIGH v Sandringham, Colong v SM MORNIALE

DIVISION THREE

Saturday: PRAHRAN CITY v Yarraville, Heidelberg Rangers v SPRINGVALE, Humebein City v ESSENDON CITY, Moorabark v BULLEN, YALLIOUN v Port Melbourne, CROIR v Karingal, Prahan v GEELONG

DIVISION FOUR

Saturday: EAST BRUNSWICK v Beronia, Arden v HOLLAND PARK, Langwarrin v Baller (draw), Greenborough v CLIFTON HILL, Keyborough v ROSANNA, LAIOU UTD v Border, Brighton v FERRITE GULLY

PROVISIONAL DIVISION ONE

Saturday: Peace Vale v CLARINDA, HAWTHORN v Werribee, Williamstown v CHELSEA, WEST BRUNSWICK v East Geelong, Clayton v MALVERN CITY, REGENT v Central City

DIVISION TWO

Saturday: NUNAWADING UTD v Uni of Melbourne, Monash Utd v IVANHOE CITY, Geelong Utd v NTH SUNSHINE, St. Ter v SEAFORD UTD, STH DANDENONG v Melton, DINGLEY UTD v Altona Utd

DIVISION THREE

Saturday: ACOT VALE CITY v Glenroy, FITZROY CITY v Moolah (at Port United Ground), Lyndale Utd v CRANBOURNE WEST, All v Moorait, PARKMORE v MICHAN

DIVISION FOUR

Saturday: CLARINDA-GEOGRAPHY v Latic, RICHMOND UTD v Bannan Utd, MELBOURNE UTD v St. Kilda, WEST UTD v Port Utd, West Machine v MUDGEEVA, CANTON UTD v B. Colina, STH SPRINGVALE v Meadow Park

AMATEUR LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

Sunday: Eagles Utd v MACCABEI, Latrobe Utd v TRYPTHE, MELBOURNE UTD v Acad St Maki, ENDEAVOUR HILLS v DU South, VERMONT v Belyns City, Northern Suburbs v WAVERLEY UTD

DIVISION TWO

Sunday: CHICHESTER v Tere Utd, RALLY v Diggers Rest, Colongwood v Colongwood City (at Ground 2), Royal Park, BRINTONS v Nth Melbourne, DIAMOND VALLEY v Philip Institute

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Sunday: NORTHERN UTD v OM Paradise, Yarra Bend v HAWTHORN UTD, OAKLEIGH UTD v Reserve Eagles, EAST ALTONA v East Richmond

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Pines to finish Fawkner?

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

If Fawkner loses to Frankston Pines at Monterey Reserve on Saturday, it can kiss goodbye to its top four chances.

A loss here could put Fawkner five points behind the fourth placed side, a leeway that Fawkner is unlikely to make up.

And while some observers probably wrote off Fawkner's chances when the committee sacked Gus Macleod as coach a few weeks ago, many others surely will discount Fawkner as a top four hope when they learn that star midfielder Peter Boyle was dropped to the bench for last weekend's 0-0 draw with Northcote.

To say that Boyle's omission was puzzling, is an understatement. He'd command a place in the starting line-up of any State League club and I already know of two clubs which have pencilled his name into their shopping lists for next season.

I'm tipping a Pines win in what should be a hard fought battle. Pines loom as definite top four candidates for mine and their squad soon will be strengthened by the arrival of Graham Watson from Scotland and Paul Hennessy from Ireland.

Pines midfielder Jimmy Ross hopes to get a medical clearance to play on Saturday. He broke five bones in a hand two weeks ago.

Croydon travels to Partridge Reserve on Sunday to take on Thomastown in what looms as a real danger game for the league leader and I'm going for a draw.

If I'm right, then Morwell should be on the same points as Croydon after this weekend's games for Morwell should defeat Western Suburbs at Ralph Reserve on Sunday.

Suburbs coach Jimmy Condis watched Morwell downing Dinamo last weekend and was impressed. So was Dinamo coach Tony Vrzina who said: "Morwell would have beaten most National League sides on that display."

So Morwell is starting to loom once more as a clear title prospect and recent signing Mick McGorian scored both goals against Dinamo, which should do wonders for his confidence.

When McGorian's on song, he's capable of troubling any defence in the league.

Polonia should be too strong for Northcote at John Cain Reserve on Sunday. Polonia did well defensively against Croydon last weekend but here it has the chance to show us how good it can be going forward. Janusz Przybyla and Greg Warszawski should put the Northeners under a lot of pressure.

Springvale and Knox City meet at Egan Lee Reserve on Saturday in a match that could decide their fates this season. I'm tipping a Springvale win now that striker Neil Garvey is back in form and that result would throw enormous pressure on Knox to push clear of the relegation zone.

Springvale signed Knox winger Colin Hawthorne, 17, last weekend. St Albans Dinamo looks likely to go down to Box Hill at Churchill Reserve on Saturday and, like Knox, Dinamo is in for a testing time this year. Star Dinamo striker Dennis Morovic is still a couple of weeks away from being fit to play and the club really is feeling his loss.

Box Hill strikers Peter Verechia and Andy Humble should have too much fire power for the Dinamo defence while Box Hill midfielder Andy Hughes is in sparkling form.

Darryn White has decided to stay with the Hillmen this season. He'd asked for a transfer the other week but after talks with coach Keith Webster, changed his mind.

The Hillmen are considering signing a striker from the UK but won't name the player yet. Ringwood Wilhelmiana should grab a point from its Jubilee Park clash with Albion Turk Gucu on Sunday.

Here are this weekend's games, with likely winners in capitals.

SATURDAY
Knox City v SPRINGVALE CITY at Egan Lee Reserve, 3 pm.

St Albans Dinamo v BOX HILL at Churchill Reserve, 3 pm.

FRANKSTON PINES v Fawkner at Monterey Reserve 3pm.

SUNDAY
Western Suburbs v MORWELL FALCONS at Ralph Reserve, 3 pm.

Ringwood Wilhelmiana v Albion Turk Gucu (draw) at Jubilee Park, 3 pm.

Northcote v POLONIA at John Cain Reserve, 3 pm.

Thomastown v Croydon (draw) at Partridge Reserve, 3 pm.



Frankston Pines. Back row: Robbie Reader, John Cumming, Rick Janssen, Steve Lawson, John Cullen, Peter Thurlow, Ray Thomas. Front: Craig Millar, Davie Ferris, Ally Dick, Stan Webster, Paul Cooke, Jimmy Ross. Picture: LES SHORROCK.

Eagles now second

White Eagles moved into second spot in Tasmania's Cadbury State League when it trounced Olympia-WPL 5-2 in midweek while Metro-Claremont revealed all of Croatia-Glenorchy's shortcomings by beating it 2-1.

Eagles and Olympia exchanged fire right from the start of their encounter but it wasn't until seven minutes before the interval that Eagles drew first blood.

Richard Leszczynski attacked down the right before playing a cross-field pass to his brother Andrew who, seeing the goalkeeper off his net, chipped the ball into the net.

Dave Stoddart made it 2-0 three minutes into the second half from Mark Leszczynski's cross and the same pair combined again in the 63rd minute to score again.

Four goals in five minutes then set the game alight.

Peter Sherman reduced the arrears for Olympia from Forster's pass only to see Stoddart score from the restart.

Forster set up Kaproulakis to make it 4-2 before Richard Leszczynski completed the scoring for Eagles by beating

By
WALTER PLESS

Paul Xanthopoulos hit a hat-trick while Robert Gorniak grabbed the fourth goal.

Ian Parker notched Calies' consolation goal 10 minutes from time when he finally escaped Roger Munro, his marker, and turned on the edge of the area before firing into the far corner of the net.

Details: Metro-Claremont 2 Croatia-Glenorchy 1, White Eagles 5 Olympia-WPL 2, Rapid 1 Juventus-Pioneer 0, Olympia-KVPL 4 Caledonians 1.

	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Juventus	5	2	3	16	13	
White Eagles	5	2	2	21	13	
Croatia	5	2	1	13	12	
Caledonians	3	5	2	18	11	
Olympia	3	3	4	21	21	9
Rapid	2	4	4	14	17	8
Metro	3	2	4	18	23	8
University	1	1	7	6	27	3

Michael The Tailor Goalscoring Award: 11-J Broadhouse (Juventus), 9-1 Parker (Calies); 8-M Goldsmith (Calies), 7-R Fabrizio (Juventus), A Leszczynski (White Eagles), M Leszczynski (White Eagles), D Stoddart (White Eagles), J McIntyre (Metro).

Players' union set to go

All players of 32 teams plus about 60 other players from various clubs have agreed to join a national players' association.

More names are flooding in by the day.

The move to start the association was made by Preston-Makedonia's goalkeeper Richard Wilson.

He said this week he would call a meeting of all interested players in August to start the association officially.

Meanwhile, he has sent out forms regarding the association to NSL, State League and Metropolitan League clubs in Victoria.

Any players who want a form should contact Wilson.

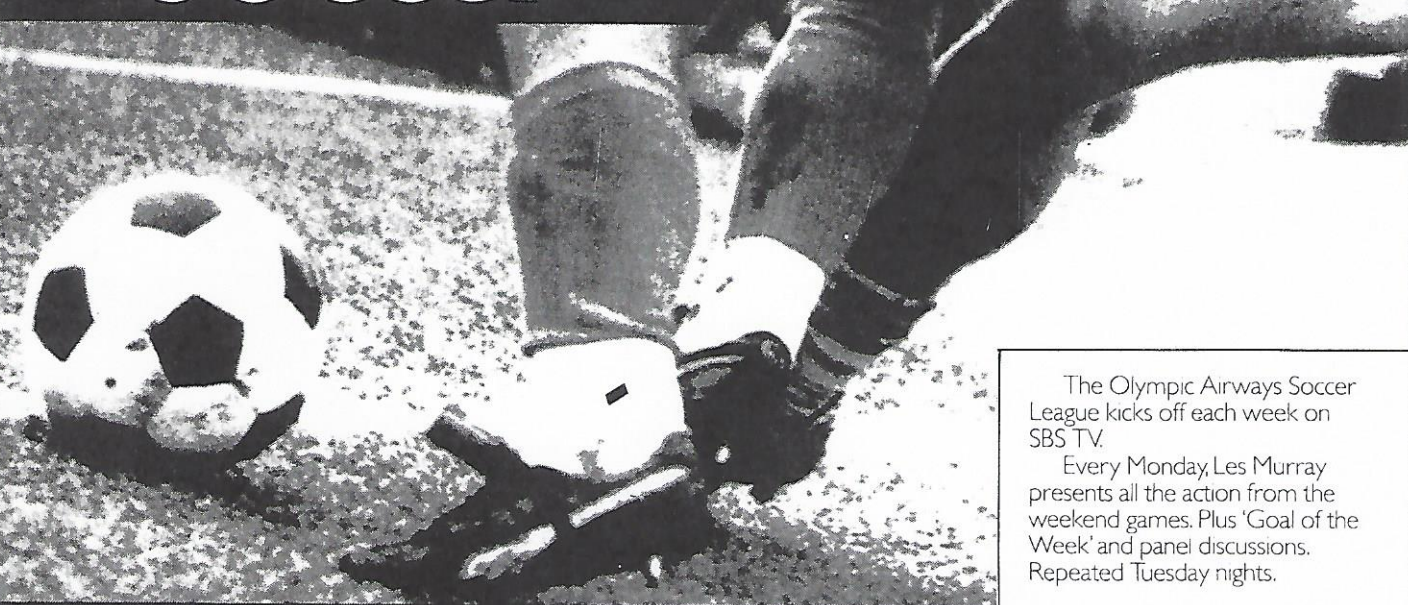
He also asks players to submit to him lists of all players at their club who would be interested in joining the association.

"Our No. 1 aim will be to represent the wishes of the players in all matters," he said.

"We have been without representation for long enough."

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So who pays for the expenses which are obviously going to be hefty? The players. But the AISF doesn't take a back seat. Various fund raising programs are arranged to assist each individual member of the sides in the past, this has been very successful.

In October/November of this year the 1985 state championships take place from which Victorian squads will be selected to compete in the national championships. At these championships, the 1985/86 Australian sides will be chosen to tour the world next year.

At present the AISF (Victoria), is organising the state championships for which a record number of sides are expected. The only way of playing in these championships is to become a registered player.

Last year's Australian championships produced four successful Victorian sides: the U/15 boys; Bayswater U/16 boys; Latrobe Valley U/20 Youth; and Geelong U/15 boys.

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Almost \$200,000 of renovations and grafting capacities are enormous, to the detriment of the skillful players.

When you see Lamond in action, you're watching a truly skillful striker at work. But I've got a message for Lamond. As a player who appreciates skill, my advice to him is to head for Europe where his kind of skill is really appreciated.

And if I have to be critical of him, I'd say that he needs to work a touch more on his finishing. He easily could have scored four goals against us.

What amazes me is that Lamond spent his early years in Australia in Queensland and wasn't even picked up by either Brisbane Lions or Brisbane City. They could have snapped him up for free.

Then again, maybe they don't know how to play up there. Or maybe they don't appreciate true ball players.

Countdown begins

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Melita Eagles had their feathers scattered at Seymour Shaw Park after Sutherland Sharks took them to the cleaners with a crushing 3-0 victory. It was the second time in as many weeks that the League's most feared outfit had lost.

Johnny Lavin, the coach of Sutherland, was very happy with his side's showing but refused to be carried away with this victory.

"I'll take it one game at a time from here on. There had been quite a few cold nights in the past and I will not take anything for granted as yet. It is nice to win, and my attitude is to aim for nothing less than the top. I hate finishing second, but I can only hope that my players continue and perform the way they are doing at the moment," said Lavin.

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NSW State League with ALEX VESIC

minutes. Steve Bradley came on for Richard Peil and things started to happen for the visitors. Almost immediately, Mowbray and Bradley combined to create an opportunity for Chibby who equalised.

Five minutes later, Berringer found Bradley who in turn provided Morlando with a chance. A scissor's kick by Morlando saw Smith beaten for the second time.

Ku-Ring-Gai 2 Avala 1

At Parklands. Scorers: Bass 59th, Bennett 90th, Martinez Pen. 61st. Avala slid further down the table following its last-minute loss at Parklands.

In the 59th minute, Kuringai attacked through Lee Sutherland who crossed for Graig Bass to score with a diving header. Only two minutes later, Ray Carney was brought down on the edge of the area and Hector Martinez blasted his shot past Leary from the resultant penalty.

Avala looked content with a draw and attempted to close the gates, playing a fairly defensive game. And when most believed that the game would end in a draw, Goldsworthy broke through before sending in his cross for David Bennett to score with a diving header.

While Dennis Ford and his Kuringai team celebrated, Vic Dalgleish was still wondering about the form of his strikers particularly his pin-up from Kuringai, Glen Jeffrey.

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Ray Farrugia, Johnny Davies, Keny Wilson and Jeff Smith are only a shadow of the players that performed so well as the start of the season and looked sluggish indeed. To make matters worse, Griffiths was injured and had to be replaced at half time.

For Sutherland, it was a different story. The Sharks knew that if the club is to have any chance of success this year, a win against Melita was a must.

And the side played accordingly, with a lot of zest and skill with Mark Harrington having one of his best games to date. Jimmy Webster and Ross Tasker supported Harrington well with Tasker scoring a goal close to the end and providing Beggs with the service which caused Melita to concede number three in the dying seconds of the match.

Greg McCoy was the culprit in the first half as he brought down Tasker after 25 minutes. Vic Dallano scored from the ensuing penalty and that was the start of the Melita slide.

Melita officials were incensed with some refereeing decisions, but none would argue that Sutherland was much the better team of the day and deserved to win. Some of the criticism appeared to be levelled at Mickey Jones, Melita's coach and he will have to do some fast talking today (Wednesday) when he is due to meet with Melita's committee to discuss the losses to Canterbury and Sutherland.

Canterbury 7 Warr. Narra 0

At Arlington. Scorers: Borges 56th, 63rd, 81st, Silva 10th, 65th, Kirwan 63rd, 74th. Vello Borges and Marcos Silva showed football artistry seldom seen in Australia to completely destroy Warringah Narraheen at Arlington last Saturday.

Borges scored three goals and Silva two, with Paul Kirwan adding the others to inflict the heaviest defeat Narraheen has suffered in State League.

Backheels, little one-two's, delicate through balls, you name it — all the delicacies which make football such a great game were there. Admittedly, Canterbury struggled to get on top and for the first half an hour it was an even game with Narraheen looking capable to cause an upset.

Peter Dean's mistake led to Silva's opening goal in the 10th minute. A thorough ball by Borges saw Silva beat the offside trap to face Dean. The Narraheen keeper was closer to the ball as he came out of his area to clear. He took an almighty swing and missed, giving Silva an easy passage to goal.

Another mistake by Narraheen led to goal number two. Roy Jones's attempted crossfield pass to Murray Gale was misdirected, landing at the feet of Marcos Silva who ran into the penalty area to score. Silva then set up Borges whose shot was deflected into the net by Kirwan.

Borges scored a fine goal three minutes later after a fine run by John Anastopoulos, and signalled the end of Narraheen's resistance.

Silva and Borges combined

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Darren Wilson opened the scoring for the home side with a 30 metre chip which saw Dean Marcon well out of goal and unable to reach Wilson's lob. Jeff Wilkes then set up a well executed free kick from 25 metres and again

Marcon looked at fault, then came a quick reply from Polonia with Grujo Vujinovic the scorer.

Vujinovic got the ball 30 metres from goal and turned past a defender before placing his shot wide of Kotzohambos.

Few would have expected Rockdale's avalanche of goals in the second half, but the red and blacks stormed home with Brown picking up all his goals during this period. Jimmy Ristevski's shot was handled on the line by a Polonia defender and Brown made it 3-1 from the resultant penalty, then almost from the kick-off linden stole the ball and stroled through to score through Jimmy Ristevski. A minute later, the scoreline was 5-1 with Brown scoring after some good work by Darren Wilson.

With 12 minutes remaining, Nicky Papas took a free kick and Brown was at the far post to nod in his third goal. Close to the end, Bootes made it 7-1, but was carried off the field a few moments later after colliding with Grujo Vujinovic.

Polonia, after losing its coach last week, suffered its heaviest defeat for many years and looks in dire straights.

Now jinx hits Phillips

The jinx jinx at my club, Sydney Olympic, has caught up with Gary Phillips and Tony Dakos. When will it end?

Gary, our workhorse and an integral part of the side for the past three or four seasons, fractured his vertebrae against Canberra the other week and he'll be sidelined for a couple of months. It's a real body blow to Gary and Olympic because he'd been in such fine form and his workrate will be sadly missed.

Tony, recovering from a cartilage operation, also is down in the dumps. He's just found out, following further tests on his knee, that he's unlikely to play again this year.

It's getting close to the stage where we could field a team of crooks, made up of senior squad players. What an amazing injury run we've had this year.

	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
FAIRY MEADOW	7	2	1	15	6	16
KU-RING-GAI	6	4	1	16	8	16
MELITA EAGLES	6	3	2	11	11	15
CANTERBURY	5	3	3	27	16	13
Avala	4	5	2	16	9	13
Sutherland	5	2	2	20	8	12
Rockdale	3	5	2	17	11	11
Manly Warr	3	4	2	11	9	10
Uruguay	1	4	4	6	12	6
Narrabeen	1	2	6	3	22	4
Bolonia	0	1	8	6	28	1
Bankstown	0	1	8	2	20	1

THIS WEEK

Saturday: Melita Stadium: MELITA v BANKSTOWN, Narrabeen Sports Centre: NARRABEEN v POLONIA. Sunday: Cromer Park: MANLY v FAIRY MEADOW, Parklands: KURINGAI v URUGUAY, Hurstville: ILINDEN v AVALA, Arlington: CANTERBURY v POLONIA, Seymour Shaw: SUTHERLAND v NARRABEEN.

Wednesday, June 26: Towradgi Park: FAIRY MEADOW v SUTHERLAND.

MANLY WARRINGAH 0 URUGUAY 4 at Cromer. MANLY: Barker 7, Gogic 1, Dick 8, Pearce 8, J. Barker 6, Gabriel 7, Pagano 6, Etherington 7, Stuart 5 (A. Williamson 70th), Holloway 5, Murray 6.

URUGUAY: Rosano 8, — Jones 7, Planinic 7, Rslavic 7, Perez 6, — Carizzo 6, Arabelo 8, Cues 6, Meneses 6, — Kroses 5 (Follados), O'Shaughnessy 8.

KURINGAI 2 (Bass 59th, Bennett 90th) AVALA 1 (61st Martinez Pen.) at Parklands.

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AVALA: Thurlow 8, — Jordan 7, Divani 7, (73rd Anderson), Dobson 8, Lambry 9, — Cootes 8, Atagic 7, Tracey 7, — Carney 7, Jeffery 6, Martinez 6.

SUTHERLAND 3 (Dallano 25th pen, Tasker 88th, Baggis 89th) MELITA EAGLES 0 at Seymour Shaw Park.

SUTHERLAND: Burchmore 7, Hesford 7, Dallano 8, Burrows 7, Terry 8, — Tasker 8, Groomie (Rogers 15th — 6), Webster 7, Harrington 9, — Baggis 7, Gray 7.

MELITA EAGLES: Mullen 7, — McCoy 7, Wilson 7, McAusland 8, — Davies 6, Farrugia 7, Laid 5 (O'Rourke 65th), Allan 6, — Griffiths 6 (Vial 45th — 6), Hensman 6.

BANKSTOWN 1 (Hassan 10th) FAIRY MEADOW 2 (Chibby 65th, Morlando 70th) at Jensen Park.

BANKSTOWN: Smith 7, — Hutton 6, Lahoud 7, Popovic 7, Rajab 8, — Maerban 8, Hammond 7, Apenian 8, — Hassan 7, Green 6, Hussein 6.

FAIRY MEADOW: Young 9, — Chibby 7, Berringer 7, Fleming 7 (White 75th), Morlando 7, — Gerald 7, Piel 6 (Bradley 64th — 8), Richardson 6, Mowbray 7, — Fontana 5, Baker 5.

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ROCKDALE: Kotzohambos 7, — Blackburn 7, Forester 7, Pilovski 8, J. Wilson 8, — Papas 7, Nastok 7, D. Wilson 6, — Ristevski 7, Brown 9, Trajanovski 7 (Bootes 82nd — Campanella 86th).

POLONIA: Marcon 5, — R. Colluso 6, Falzon 6, Lasek 5, Calderan 7, — Mahamah 5, Sobczyk 6, D. Colluso 6, Vujinovic 7, — Janic 5, Pop 5.

CANTERBURY 7 (Borges 56th, 63rd, 81st, Silva 10th, 65th, Kirwan 63rd, 74th) NARRABEEN 0 at Arlington.

CANTERBURY: Hummel 8, — Karasipos 6, Pana 8, Radman 8, Hantzis 7, — Ortega 7, Anastopoulos 7, (Kalogeras 67th), Easterfield 6, — Kirwan 7, Silva 9, Borges 10.

NARRABEEN: P. Dean 4, — Hanley 5, Collings 5, B. Dean 7, Friend 6, — Gale 6, Jones 5, Jones 4, Sturgess 5, — Van Helden 5, Watt 5.

LEADING SCORERS

7 — Brown (RI), Dounis (CM)

6 — Walker (ME)

5 — Borges, Kirwan (CM), Sutherland (K), Gray (S)

4 — Mowbray (FM), Allan (ME), O'Shaughnessy (U)

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La Juventus del 1985 come quella del 1970.

Quella dell'86 sarà come quella 71?

Domenica scorsa al Middle Park la Juventus non solo ha battuto l'Hallas e riconquistato il primato in classifica del girone meridionale della Lega Nazionale, ma ha definitivamente riconciliato con il calcio tanti tifosi delusi ed amareggiati.

Lo spettacolo è stato indescrivibile, l'agonismo esasperante, il brivido presente per quasi gli ultimi 90 minuti, ed il livello tecnico più che apprezzabile. Le due squadre hanno battagliato a viso aperto fino al fischio finale; nessuna tattica negativa, nessuna impostazione rinunciatrice in palio non vi era solo il primato della classifica, ma l'orgoglio collettivo ed individuale delle due migliori squadre del torneo, dei due più gloriosi club calcistici del Victoria (e probabilmente dell'Australia), di 22 atleti che possono a ragione considerarsi fra la élite calcistica del continente.

Fortuna ha voluto anche che l'arbitraggio del signor Bambridge sia stato impeccabile, deciso, accorto, meticoloso e giustissimo; e si è avuto così l'altro ingrediente necessario per una grande partita di calcio.

Con la prestazione di domenica il popolare Chris ha dimostrato che anche in Australia ci sono ottimi arbitri (anche se pochissimi) e si è guadagnato l'immunità per almeno dieci anni a qualsiasi riferimento ad ornamenti frontali di natura caprina e a paternità ignota nei suoi riguardi; o per dirla con le parole di un notissimo tifoso juventino il cui nome comincia con la G, "cornuto" e "bastardo". Ed anche il comportamento dei tifosi è stato ineccepibile, anzi noi ci siamo trovati seduti a fianco ad un tifoso greco che oltre a dare in esclamazioni quando Egan ha segnato, batteva le mani anche alle belle azioni juventine ed una volta ha addirittura detto, anche se fra i denti, "bravo Petersen".

La prestazione della Juventus è stata tale che dobbiamo anche togliere ogni riserva alle sue chance nella Coppa Italia di fine anno e far mettere così l'anima in pace al direttore tecnico Joe Caruso, a condizione però che fra l'el retangolo di gioco non ci siano serpenti.

Scherzi a parte, la Juventus vista domenica era tutta un'altra cosa dalla formazione indecisa e tirante vista nel

certamente le carte in regola, ma le condizioni sono cambiate e forse sulla carta i suoi risultati non potranno essere uguali a quella della Juventus di Boggi. Allora bastava vincere il campionato statale e battere la vincitrice del campionato statale del N.S.W.; oggi arrivare primi alla fine del campionato non significa niente, vincere il duro torneo a cinque di fine campionato non significa niente nemmeno; bisogna vincere la finale (andata e ritorno) con la vincitrice del torneo finale a cinque del girone settentrionale della Lega Nazionale per poter fregiarsi dell'unico titolo in palio. E non è detto che la Juventus di Margariuti non sia capace di far tanto!

Ma l'interrogativo più esasperante è quello che senza voler fare i conti in tasca alla Juventus che negli ultimi due anni aveva fatto registrare notevoli profitti di gestione grazie alla giudizioza amministrazione sotto la presidenza di Manenti e Verduci ed all'incredibile quantità e qualità di lavoro espletato dalla primaidente del comitato femminile Silvana Tenace (oltre \$100.000 - centomila - di profitto netto diretto, più il resto indirettamente, dalle funzioni sociali), pensiamo che l'attuale gestione del presidente Schiavello (che, non bisogna dimenticarlo, era stato vicepresidente sia di Manenti che di Verduci) sia attualmente in deficit e probabilmente si chiuderà in deficit, almeno che il responso dei tifosi e della comunità italiana in generale non sia migliore di quello del 1970.

Allora, dopo la sfiorata di aver vinto scudetti e Coppe, pochi o nessuno furono coloro disposti a continuare a mettere temp e soldi nella barca pilotata da Tony Longo (e tutto sommato non si può dire a nessuno colpa per non avere la stessa visione e lo stesso ragionato ottimismo di alcuni "rari comandanti di barca"); il deficit accumulato alla fine dell'anno fece dimenticare le vittorie e fece prendere dalla paura un po' tutti. Tony Longo se ne andò e la squadra fu "svenduto" per pagare parte dei debiti.

Non si capì allora che "business" impiantato per produrre profitti a lunga scadenza (e l'unico modo) a grossi costi, non avrebbe pagato le spese sostenute per

impiantarlo durante il primo anno di attività e non avrebbe fatto realizzare abbastanza mettendolo in liquidazione dopo un solo anno di esercizio. Così finirono i successi della Juventus e la situazione di debito continuo si protrasse all'infinito (con una breve eccezione alla fine della gestione Mirabella nel 1977) fino praticamente a oggi.

Cosa succederà alla fine di questa stagione? Si completerà il quadro delle similitudini fra la Juventus del 1970 e quella del 1985? Gli attuali dirigenti non se la sentiranno di iniziare un altro anno con un deficit e vorranno concedersi un periodo di meritissimo riposo dopo tre anni di estenuante lavoro, di continua infusione di fondi dalle proprie tasche, di tempo rubato alle proprie attività commerciali e professionali e alle proprie famiglie? Se lo faranno nessuno potrà dar loro torto, anzi tutti dovranno loro eterna gratitudine per aver sollevato la Juventus dal burrone ed averla rimessa su una strada laica e pianeggiante.

Tony Schiavello riuscirà a continuare ed a trovare un gruppo di collaboratori capaci, generosi e assai come quelli che sono in carica da almeno tre anni? E il comitato che guiderà la Juventus nel 1986 capirà che qualsiasi deficit (se ci sarà) sarà da considerare in relazione ai capitali di giocatori, amministratori, giocatori, reputazione, gloria e seguito e che continuando sulla stessa strada saranno annullati i deficit e si entrerà in profitto? O avranno dei dirigenti che la penseranno alla vecchia maniera e sventeranno i giocatori per cercare di bilanciare (inutilmente) i libri contabili e si inizierà una nuova crisi finanziaria e tecnica della squadra?

La risposta per ora è impossibile, ma tutti siamo certamente d'accordo che un ripetersi dello sfascio del 1971 sarebbe la fine della Juventus. Per questo che abbiamo proposto questa considerazione adesso che si veleggia con il vento in poppa, senza aspettare l'inevitabile naufragio: la boccia alla fine dell'anno quando i trionfi sportivi saranno dimenticati di fronte ai bilanci di gestione e alla responsabilità non indifferente di perdere in mano le redini

del club per altri tre anni, o anche per un altro anno. Cosa faranno Tony Schiavello, Vince Verduci, Sam Manenti, Attilio Costanzo, Domenico Tenuta, Vince La Rosa, Joe Caruso, Jim Cerantonio, Rocky Porcino e Michele Mattiacci il prossimo anno? È impossibile saperlo, e forse non lo sapranno ancora nemmeno gli stessi interessati.

Una cosa però è certa: se da adesso alla fine della stagione i tifosi, le ditte italiane e la comunità italiana in generale si sentiranno in dovere di fare la loro parte a seconda delle necessità per mantenere una grande squadra, una buona amministrazione ed un'ottima reputazione, il 1986 sarà ancora migliore del 1985.

Inalziato si arriverà alla fine della stagione senza alcun deficit, senza alcuna pressione e quindi la maggior parte degli attuali dirigenti (e meglio di così) sarà difficile trovarne, specialmente dopo tre anni di esperienza e di sacrificio, e molti altri candidati di qualità si faranno avanti il prossimo anno.

Cosa possono fare i tifosi che già non fanno? Trascinare i loro amici alle partite poiché possono essere sicuri di non far brutta figura e quasi sicuramente la maggior parte dei "trascinati" rimarrà entusiasta della Juventus, invece di organizzare B.B.Q. nel "back yard" o scampagnate perché non è piacevole "pomergiri alla partita" fra amici quando la Juventus gioca in casa, portando anche le mogli, i figli e le fidanzate.

A questo proposito si potrebbe prendere l'esempio da gente come Franco Signorelli che per anni ha portato carrelli di amici e parenti alle partite anche quando la Juventus andava maluccio; molti della "banda di Signorelli" sono diventati assidui ed appassionati tifosi.

Oltre a "trascinare" gente alle partite, ogni tifoso dovrebbe fare pressione i uomini d'affari che conosce, sui negozi da cui si serve, sugli amici facoltosi per portare al club gente che può dare un contributo

significativo sia finanziario che morale e amministrativo.

E qui bisogna ricordare l'altro tifoso Bartolo Zino che per anni letteralmente "rompeva le scatole" a tutti quelli che gli capitavano a tiro d'occhio fino al punto di dire a chi faceva orecchi da mercante che doveva vergognarsi di essere in condizione privilegiata grazie alla comunità italiana e di non far niente di ritorno per la comunità che gli ha dato successo e quattro; la morale della favola è che qualcuno ha mandato Bartolo all'altro paese, ma altri gli hanno dato grossi assegni per la Juventus o si sono addirittura gettati a capofitto nella Juventus (Tony Schiavello è uno dei "convertiti" del missionario Bartolo).

Sia Signorelli che Zino sono vivi e vegeti, senza essere dei mostri di scienza, e da semplici tifosi hanno fatto più di tanti dirigenti. E se l'hanno fatto loro perché non lo possono fare altri?

Un'altra cosa che possono fare tutti i tifosi è dare la loro preferenza alle ditte che sponsorizzano la Juventus (i cartelloni sono appesi al recinto del campo durante le partite) e dir loro che gli danno il "business" perché sono sponsor della Juventus.

A questo proposito ci piace ricordare l'altro tifoso di

vecchia data, Giovanni Oddo (ma che l'abbiamo già nominato in questo stesso articolo) che andava a fare la spesa al mercato di Moonee Ponds e prima di pagare il macellaio o il fruttivendolo gli chiedeva di comprare biglietti della lotteria della Juventus altrimenti gli ridava indietro la roba.

E finiamo qui con gli esempi (ce ne sarebbero molti) e con i suggerimenti lasciando ad ogni tifoso convinto ed orgoglioso di avere, e continuare ad avere, una grande squadra in modo migliore di aiutarla a mantenere la "grande Juventus" e i suoi dirigenti del 1985 anche per il 1986 e molti anni futuri.

E questo lungo discorso non vale solo per la Juventus, ma per tutte le squadre di calcio: per il Falkner come per il Thomastown, per il Veneto Brecon come per la Triestina e per la Triestina e per l'East Brunswick, per il Nunawading (a proposito, forza Della Rocca), per il Westall, per il Carrum, per il Baitman Lazio, per il Ivanhoe City, per tutte, anche per il Marconi e l'Apia, per il Brisbane City e per l'Adelaide City, per il Monaro e per la Juventus di Hobart e di Launceston!

On the whole, Olympic have done just enough to earn the points - though I am sure they would not have done so without that classy Scot, Provan. What they will do once he returns to Glasgow remains to be seen - but he will be missed. As for Blacktown, they turned in a good, steady display and showed a lot of pluck to go very close to the end to snatching a point. They were still without their star defender Robert Wheatley, out for five weeks now with hepatitis, who saw his first match only on Sunday.

Olympic v. Blacktown

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The Celtic Glasgow star drilled in from the left, beat two or three challenges and then hit a mean, low shot which sneaked into the far corner under the body of a late diving Hooper.

That goal was actually Olympic's swan-song - all their strength and energy seemed to vanish after it. Instead of hammering home their advantage, they almost stopped playing - and let Blacktown back into the game.

In the 74th minute McKie hit a shot wide from a few metres and in the 87th minute Lambie's cross was most fortunate to escape a penalty, after knocking down a ball inside the box.

With seconds left a frustrated Soper, after a miserable

performance, fouled Pointer badly enough for the Blacktown stopper to be assisted off the field.

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Deunomia	4	1	2	29	9
Doveton B	3	2	2	17	8
Croydon City	2	2	16	20	7
Balcatta	2	2	17	24	6
Salesian Coll	2	1	4	29	5
Pakenham	1	3	10	22	5
Clonsbourne	1	2	4	27	4
Kingsley	0	8	24	2	4

NORTH WEST A					
Sunshine Hgts	6	0	1	41	5
St Albans	5	2	22	8	12
Buller	4	2	11	12	10
NB Juventus	4	1	27	15	8
North Union	2	2	11	15	8
Ball Park	1	1	12	13	5
Northcote City	2	1	4	16	5
West United	1	2	10	11	4
Clifton Hill	1	3	9	11	4
Mossfield Rngs	0	7	4	53	0

NORTH WEST B					
Regent	5	2	22	9	12
Footscray Just	4	2	41	3	10
Altona City	4	1	29	13	8
Preston	3	2	1	21	8
Broadmeadows	3	1	10	11	5
Albion Rovers	3	0	4	13	6
Keller Austria	3	0	4	12	5
Ascot Vale City	1	1	5	11	7
Lalor	1	0	5	28	8
Pharman Rngs	1	0	6	39	2

NORTH WEST C					
East Geelong	5	2	29	6	12
Meadow Park	5	2	23	9	12
Man Park	5	1	16	10	11
Lalor	3	1	16	11	7
Thomastown	4	0	19	8	8
NB Reservoir	2	1	4	14	5
NB Sunshine	2	0	5	12	4
Milton A	1	1	5	12	4
Western Suburbs	1	1	5	38	3
Sunbury	0	1	6	18	1

NORTH WEST D					
East Geelong	7	0	41	2	14
Moreland Mdw	7	0	37	12	10
Greenborough	5	2	24	12	10
Reservoir	5	2	12	13	5
Fawkner B	3	1	35	11	7
Eltham	3	0	4	17	6
Yarraville	3	0	4	17	6
NB Reservoir	2	0	5	11	3
Diamond Creek	1	0	16	25	8
Milton B	1	0	7	25	0

EASTERN C					
Berwick City	5	0	16	1	10
Sth Dandenong	5	0	16	1	10
Cranebrook	3	0	2	8	6
Monroevale	2	1	2	8	5
Northmead	2	1	2	10	7
Skye Rovers	1	1	3	3	8
Karingal	0	8	14	8	13

EASTERN D					
Sth Parkmore	5	0	1	24	6
Melbourne	3	1	14	5	7
Kew Park Rngs	3	1	0	8	7
Monbulk	2	0	3	8	13
Nunawading Utd	2	0	3	8	13
Nunawading Utd	1	0	4	8	12
Dandenong City	0	4	0	16	0

EASTERN E					
FT Gully	6	0	1	24	6
Mulgavee B	5	0	1	20	5
Seaford	4	0	1	13	6
Nunawading City B	4	0	2	10	8
Hempston Park	2	1	3	15	6
Waverley City B	2	0	4	8	11
Clons B	1	0	7	4	10
Hastings	1	1	4	10	16

NORTH WEST A					
Preston	7	0	3	9	21
Mt. Grotto	5	1	13	2	10
Ardeer	4	0	1	13	8
Ardeer	3	1	2	20	5
Lalor	3	0	5	8	6
East Geelong	2	0	4	2	6
West United	2	0	4	2	6
Moreland Mdw	1	0	5	4	21
Sunshine Gully	0	0	7	24	8

NORTH WEST B					
Sunshine Hgts	5	1	0	26	11
Albion Rovers	4	1	13	8	8
Broadmeadows	2	1	2	11	19
Ascot Vale City	1	0	6	18	2

EASTERN C					
Melburn City	2	1	3	8	11
Ringwood City A	2	0	4	7	13
Croydon A	1	1	5	9	13
Monroevale	0	1	1	23	0

EASTERN D					
Sth Oakleigh	4	2	0	20	10
East Richmond	3	1	2	12	8
Springleve City	4	2	13	9	8
Kew Park Rngs	4	1	17	8	8
Clonsbourne	4	1	17	8	8
Vermont	4	0	25	11	11
Nunawading City	3	1	13	13	7
Doncaster Rvs	2	0	5	12	28
Karingal	1	1	1	20	3
Brighton	0	7	2	23	0

EASTERN E					
Waverley United	5	0	1	33	8
Balcatta	5	0	1	26	10
Mordiallo	3	0	21	14	6
Seaford	3	0	21	14	6
Doncaster Rvs	3	0	20	26	8
Bononia	1	0	3	4	13
East Bentleigh	1	0	4	7	23
Hempston Park	0	0	5	4	26

EASTERN F					
Burwood United	5	1	21	12	11
Clonsbourne	4	0	1	21	12
Lalor	3	0	18	10	8
Melburn City	3	1	18	7	7
Baxter	2	1	21	16	5
Nunawading Utd	2	1	12	20	2
Glen Waverley	2	0	4	13	25
Croydon City B	1	1	10	22	3
Ringwood City B	1	0	3	24	0

NORTH WEST					
Sunshine G.X.	5	1	0	17	7
B.U. Juventus	4	1	22	8	8
Altona City	4	0	20	8	8
Essendon	4	0	19	10	8
Buller	2	2	11	15	8
West United	1	2	10	15	8
North Geelong	1	2	10	17	4
East Geelong	1	0	5	15	2
Ardeer	0	1	8	27	1

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ΣΑΜΠΙΟΝΑΣ ΣΤΗΝ ΕΛΛΑΣ ΔΕΝ ΧΩΡΕΙ

Δεν είναι η πρώτη φορά που μία ελληνική εφημερίδα από το Σίδνεϋ συνομαίνει την "Ελλάς Μεταβόρνης".

Μάλιστα πρόσφατα... Ήξερα να γράφω έστω μία κουβέντα για το ντέρμπι Αλέξανδρος - Ελλάς που έγινε στο Λάιντενμπεργκ.

Την Πέμπτη που μάς πέρασε όμως, είδαμε πάλι να περιφρονεί όχι την "Ελλάς Αλλάδους" τους φιλάθλους άφοι δέν αναμερόταν ούτε σε μία παράγραφο για τον αγώνα τον φιλικό της κυανολεύκης με την Βάσκο ντε Γκάμα.

Τό ξαφνικώ όμως ότι η "Ελλάς" είναι μεγάλη και δέν σαμποτάρεται από τους δήθεν φίλους της.

ΣΥΓΓΡΟΥΕ Ο ΡΟΜΠΟΤΗΣ

Πολλά κυκλοφορούν σχετικά με το ποιος θα αναλάβει το πόστο του προέδρου στον Αλέξανδρο σε λίγες μέρες. Ισχύει το γνωρίζω προς το παρόν, είναι ότι ο Σπύρος Ρομποτής είναι ο πιο σίγουρος για την ήττα στο Μέγα.

Και κάτι ακόμα... Ήμαθα ότι τρία άτομα από το σημερινό Δ.Σ. του συλλόγου, τα οποία πήραν κόντρα στον Γκυλιόπουλο, θα πάρουν τα παπούτσια τους στο... χέρι.

Ο ΑΛΕΞΙΟΥ ΣΤΟ ΟΛΥΜΠΙΚ

Υπάρχει μία περίπτωση να βρεθεί για ένα μικρό διάστημα ο Τζιμς Αλεξίου στο Σίδνεϋ Ολυμπικ.

Με τον πρόεδρο του Ολυμπικ Τζιμ Μπιτνέλλ που μιλάει για το θέμα αυτό, μού

είπε: "Αν ναυαγήσει ο έρχομός του Δέκη Παπαγιάννου του "Ηρακλή, τότε θα μιλήσω με τους συνεργάτες μου και θα αποφασίσω σχετικά με τον Αλεξίου που μπαίνουν πώς διαπρέπει στον Αθλητικό "Αθηνών".

ΠΟΙΕΣ... 20.000 ΔΟΛΑΡΙΑ;

Καλά δια. "Ο αγώνας κλειστήκε ξαφνικά της Ελλάς με την Βάσκο ντε Γκάμα. Κερμάνας, νόχτα και να μαζεύτεν κόσμο στο "Ολμπικ Πάρκ δέν γινόταν.

Κάτι όμως που δέν άρσε σε κανένα και συζητήθηκε ήταν το... "χοντρή" άστελο των 20.000 δολαρίων που λεχόταν πως θα έπαιρνε η νικήτρια ομάδα.

Βλέπετε η αλήθεια μαθεύεται εύκολα και τότε γινόμαστε θέμα, κάτι που δέν ταίριαζει στην "Ελλάς, ούτε στην λοτορία της.

ΤΟ ΣΑΟΥΘ ΣΠΡΙΝΚΒΑΙΝ ΠΕΤΟΥΣΕ ΚΑΙ... 5-2 Ο ΣΤΑΘΗΣ ΚΑΤΣΑΡΟΣ 4 ΓΚΟΛ - ΤΟΜΑΖΟΣ 1

Έπαιξε σπουδαία μπάλα το Σάουθ Σπρινκβαϊν στην έβρα του και διέλυσε το άρκετα σκληροτράχηλο Κούγιον 5-2.

Η ελληνική ομάδα κυριάρχησε και στα 90 λεπτά της συνάντησης χάνοντας καλές ευκαιρίες για περισσότερα γκολ.

Ο ταλαντοχός σέντερ φορ Στάθης Κατσαρός ήταν στην μέρα του και βρήκε 4 φορές τα δίχτυα των αντίπαλων στοές δολοφώνων αγωνίζεται και ο Μιχάλης Γλυκοκλάμος.

Σε σκόρ ανοίξε ο Τομάζος στο 7' και στο 19' ο φιλοξενούμενος Ισοφάριαν.

Στο 19' ο Κατσαρός έκανε το 2-1 και στη συνέχεια πέτυχε άλλα 3 τέρματα (35', 74', 85').

Από την νικήτρια δέν βυτέρησε κανένας και έπαιξαν οι Πέτρον, Β. Αργυρόπουλος, Λεονάρδος, Κέρρος, Χατζηγιαννατσίου (67' Τσαυτίλης) Βασιλείας, Σελεμίδης Σ., Ξυμανούσης (74' Λούης) Κατσαρός, Τομάζος, Γ. Αργυρόπουλος.

Ο ΓΙΑΝΝΕΛΟΣ ΕΚΑΝΕ ΣΟΥΠΕΡ ΟΜΑΔΑ

Η νίκη της Γιουβέντους μέσα στο Μίντλ Πάρκ επί της πρωταθλήτριας "Ελλάς 3-1 έδειξε περίτρανα ότι ο Έλληνας τεχνικός Γιάννης Μαργαρίτης, ο συμπαθής Γιαννέλος έχει κάνει τον Γαλιικό σύλλογο σούπερ ομάδα και δέν χωρά καμιά αμφισβήτηση.

Η Γιουβέντους της Κυριακής έχασε τον λούχιστο 4 καλές ευκαιρίες για γκολ, ενώ παράλληλα βρήκε τα δίχτυα του Λάμπετς τρεις φορές.

Φυσικά και η "Ελλάς" είχε τις ευκαιρίες της με τους "Ηγαν" (19' και 48') ενώ ο Μπάρνιτς στο 59' έκανε την απόκριση της χροιάς.

Η άπουσία του Κρίνο ήταν αίσθητη για τους κυανολεύκους αλλά για μία πρωταθλήτρια δέν δικαιολογείται να χάνει δα την τής λείπει ένας παίκτης.

Απεδείχθη ότι η "Ελλάς" δέν έχει πάγο, ούτε είναι σωστό να μπαίνουν άναπληρωματικοί οι όποιοι λίγο πριν έπαιξαν στην ομάδα των νέων.

Τι άραγε να προσφέρει ένας κουρασμένος παίκτης;

Με ποιά δικαιολογητικό ο κ. Μακέντρυ τοποθετεί στον πάγκο του παιδικά που λίγο πριν έχουν άγωνισθεί;

Ολόκληρη "Ελλάς" δέν μπορεί να έχει ένα παίκτη ξεκορόστατο στον πάγκο. Μετά τον αγώνα ο κ. Μακέντρυ είπε ότι το μέγε της Πέμπτης με την Βάσκο ντε Γκάμα ήταν μία από τις ατίτες που έχασε από την Γιουβέντους.

Γιατί όμως το κατάλαβε κατόπιν έορτς και δέν τό είχε προβλέψει;

Άραγε είχε ο ίδιος αντίθετη γνώμη για τον φιλικό αγώνα; Και αν πράγματι είστι, τότε ποιοι τό πείσαν για να βάλι τους παίκτης του να παίξουν την Πέμπ με τους Βραζιλιάνους;

Βρωτήματα άποωρήστε ναυτά που ζην να άπάντησιν από τους άπεσθύνους της λας για να μαθαίνουν και οι φιλάθλοι σε κάποια στιγμή την αλήθεια.

ΤΟ ΚΑΙΟΝ ΧΑΙΝ ΑΝΕΒΑΙΝΕ ΣΤΑΓΕΡΑ Ο ΠΕΤΡΟΠΟΥΛΟΣ ΚΑΘΑΡΙΣΕ ΤΟ ΚΗΜΠΟΡ

Τελικά ο καλός δαίμονας του Κλίστον Χιλ το Κόρμπον δέν άντεξε στους κυανολεύκους και βγήκε ήττημένο μέσα από το γηπέδο του με 1-0 γκολ που πέτυχε ο Πετρόπουλος.

Η ελληνική ομάδα ήταν άνώτερη σε έλο το διάστημα του αγώνα, έχασε δύο καλές

ευκαιρίες, είχε ένα δοκάρι με τον Πετρόπουλο και πήρε τη νίκη στο 77' πάλι με τον Πετρόπουλο που από κοντά άκέρωσε τη μπάλα στα δίχτυα των γηπεδοφύλων.

Τό Κλίστον άνέβηκε στον Β' μέροσ και πήρε βέβαια τη νίκη.

Η άμυνά του ήταν η καλύτερη γραμμή, ενώ ο νεαρός Παπαγεωργίου όρωσε τό γήπεδο. Δέν άγωνίστηκε "Ο Άνδριάτης και οι άδκοι, Πετρόπουλος άναγκάστηκαν να βγούν από τον αγώνα μετά από "βρώμικα" κτυπήματα των άντιπάλων.

Έπαιξαν οι Κύργιος, Μυστριάτης, Καράλια μης, Τυρόκος, Λορέτζι, Πάτνας, Γκέλλης, Παπαγεωργίου, Άνκοσ (56' Κουτρίλδης) Στρατάκης Πετρόπουλος (82' Τζιτζιρας).

ΠΕΝΤΑΡΑ ΤΟ ΊΚΛΗ ΣΤΟ ΕΛΛΗΝ ΚΑΙ 4 ΔΟΚΑΡΙΑ

Τρομερό το Ίκκλη σε έλο το διάστημα του αγώνα με τό "Ελλάς" το διέλυσε με 5-2. Τό γκολ σημείωσαν οι Καλιφάτης 32', 75' Ιρβαν 44', Λεονάρδος 50' και Κλαβίος στο 86'.

Ας σημειωθεί ότι τό "Ελλάς άνοίξε πρώτο το σκόρ στο 5' με πέναλτυ που έγινε σε βάρος του Καλιφάτη ο όποιος κτύπησε άντίπαλο έκτός όσσης.

Δοκάρι από τό Ίκκλη είχαν οι Καλιφάτης, Ιρβαν, Νικολάιους και Κλαβίους.

Έπαιξαν οι Παλιός, Στοιάννου, Κριτίλδης, Αλλέτας, Καρομπίτσος, Γκοσίμ, Λεονάρδος, Καλιφάτης (85' Ντοσφόκι) Κλαβίους, Νικολάιους, Ιρβαν.

Καλύτεροι οι Γκοσίμ, Νικολάιους, Κλαβίους.

ΑΝΕΤΑ ΤΟ ΓΚΑΡΤΕΝ ΣΙΤΥ ΝΙΚΗΣΕ 5-2 Ο ΑΠΟΣΤΟΛΟΠΟΥΛΟΣ ΠΕΤΥΧΕ 4 ΤΕΡΜΑΤΑ

Πολύ καλό το Γκάρτεν Σίτυ νίκησε στο γηπέδο του το Σ. Μπερνάρντο 5-2. Τό γκολ πέτυχαν οι Αποστολόπουλος 4 Βαλαβάνης.

Έπαιξαν οι Λαζαρίδης, Γ. Αναστασιάδης, Ν. Αναστασιάδης, Ξανθοπούλος, Βάσης, Νήλιος, ΣΒΓΓιος, Καμπούροπουλος, Σαράντος, Βαλαβάνης (46' Μωρέλας) Αποστολόπουλος.

Άριστο ήταν η διαίτησία του κ. GEORGE ATHANASTADIS.

ΝΙΚΗ ΣΩΤΗΡΙΑΣ ΤΗΣ Ν. ΕΛΛΑΔΣ ΣΤΟ ΚΟΡΑΙΟ

Μεγάλη νίκη πέτυχε η Ν. Ελλάς έκτός έδρας επί του Κορκό 2-1 και άρχισε να ά νεοβίνει τα σκαλοπάτια για την σωτηρία της.

Τό γκολ πέτυχαν οι Ντέντης στο 2' και Κουρέλης στο 75' οι όποιοι πέρασαν και στους διακριθέντες μαζί με τους Κωστόπουλο, Πακινά.

Η σύνθεση: Παλάσος, Λαγκουντίνος, Ξακελάριος, Πακινά, Ακριτίδης, Κωστόπουλος, Λοβ (Πάπας), Κουρέλης Κερετζίδης) Διαιτητής, Ντέντης, Λούκας.

JUGOSLOVENSKA SCENA

Jos je rano reci kako ce izgledati tabela Juzne divize u zadnjem kolu, ali ocigledno je da ce rezultati 15. kola doneti vazan preokret u borbi za opstanak nekkih klubova, najvise JUST u Green Gully Ajaksu.

Green Gully je u subotu izgubio dobitnu utakmicu protiv Adelaide Citya, dok je JUST napravio podvig pobedivši Melbourne Croatia, koja je posle uspešnog susreta sa Heidelbergom postala kandidat za prvo mesto.

JUST je imao više razloga da igra ovu utakmicu sa kompleksom, nervozno i opterećen razlikom od pet bodova. Međutim, dogodilo se suprotno. Igraci Melbourne Croatia bili su matirani akcijama Luke Bonacic i Jadrank Kozice, zbog čega su prepuštili inicijativu "plavima" i najvise do utakmice.

Jedini i najveći grešak sudija Jim Faera je napravio kada je pokazao crveni karton i Luki Bonacici, umesto samo Deankovicu koji je zaborio da igra liste nije ring. Ne verujemo da je Kapetanovic dao zadatke da "sredi" Bonacicu, sto preporučuju mnogi treneri kada neki igrač vidi oskade od ostalih.

Ako zabavim ovaj incident, igra je bila fer i sportska i završila se pobedom boljeg tima, sto je posle dugog vremena bio JUST.

U nedelju 23. juna JUST igra najtežu utakmicu u 16. kolu, jer dočekuje goropadnog Juventusa, koji prosto melje sve svoje protivnike. More li ga JUST zaustaviti? Pobeda je neophodna u daljoj borbi za opstanak, koja ce biti sve teža ukoliko bude novih poraza, jer ce i Green Gully uciniti sve da sacuva svoju kolu. Po svojoj prilici platiće koliko Croatia trazi za Tom Cumminga, a možda i vise.

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U subotu 22. juna Vardar dočekuje na Pislej Reserve u North Altoni Caulfield City.

KRENULO JE I ROYAL RICHMOND SINDJELICU

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ostalih povredjenih igraca, Ringwood/Srbija je dirigovao igrom od samog pocetka. Na odmor su igraci Srbije otisli sa vodjstvom od 2:0. Golove su postigli Steve Anderson i Pavle Jevtovic iz jedanaesterca.

Na zalost, zbog nedostataka kondicije, svi su igraci porušili pred kraj utakmice sto su gosti iskoristili da zadnjih deset minuta izjednače rezultat sa 4:4. Jeltina gola.

U predigri rezerva je izgubila sa 2:6. Oba gola postigao je Bosko Cvijetic.

U subotu 22. juna Ringwood/SRBILJA ponovo je domacin u North Ringwoodu, gde dočekuje North Geelong.

TESKA ALI VREDNA POBEDA "PLAVIH" IZ SPRINGVALA

Moorabbin City — SPRINGVALE UNITED 1:2 (1:1). Junak ove pobede bio je Dragan Janjic Bua, strelac oba gola. Domaći tim je u 90. i 11. minutu krivicom Steve Janjica, koji je kratko vratio loptu golmanu Zoranu Mandicu. Gresku je ispravio njegov brat Bua iz jedanaesterca u 38. minutu, posto je prethodno Emil Petrov oboren u kaznenom prostoru. Ako je prvi gol bio tudja zasuga, drugi je Dragan Janjic iz nicega stigao u trenutku kada su svi ocekivali da ce se utakmica završiti nerešeno. U 89. minutu iskoristio je nesporazum izmedju centarhalja i golmana, ispod nosa im oteo loptu na ivici kaznenog prostora i smestio je u prazu mrežu.

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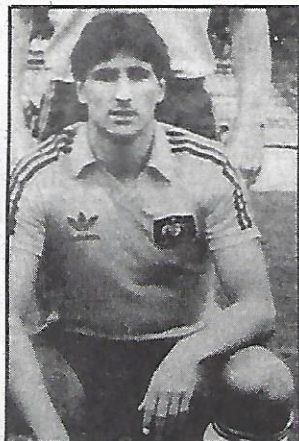
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NATIONAL SOCCER LEAGUE

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SOUTHERN DIVISION



CHARLIE YANKOS

HEIDELBERG ALEXANDER
VS
WEST ADELAIDE HELLAS

at OLYMPIC VILLAGE
3pm SUNDAY

YOUTH GAME:
HEIDELBERG ALEXAN-
DER
VS
FRANKSTON PINES
at 12.45

MELBOURNE CROATIA
VS
BRISBANE CITY

at OLYMPIC PARK No 1
3pm SUNDAY

YOUTH GAME:
MELB. CROATIA
VS
CROYDON CITY
at 12.45



JOSEP BISKIC (LEFT)



RUSSELL STEWART (LEFT)

BRISBANE LIONS
VS
STH MELBOURNE HELLAS

at RICHLANDS
3pm SUNDAY

VICTORIAN
YOUTH GAME:
NUNAWADING CITY
VS
STH MELB HELLAS
at VENUE TO BE ANNOUNCED

ADELAIDE JUVENTUS
VS
PRESTON MAKEDONIA

at OLYMPIC SPORTS FIELD
2.30pm SUNDAY

VICTORIAN
YOUTH GAME:
FAWKNER
VS
PRESTON MAKEDONIA
at VENUE TO BE ANNOUNCED



BUGSY NYSKOHUS



TYRONE JAMES

SUNSHINE GEORGE CROSS
VS
GREEN GULLY

at CHAPLIN RESERVE
3.00pm SUNDAY

YOUTH GAME:
SUNSHINE GEORGE
CROSS
VS
GREEN GULLY
at 12.45 pm

FOOTSCRAY J.U.S.T.
VS
BRUNSWICK JUVENTUS

at SCHINTLER RESERVE
3.00pm SUNDAY

YOUTH GAME:
FOOTSCRAY J.U.S.T.
VS
BRUNSWICK JUVENTUS
at 12.45



LUKA BONACIC

NORTHERN DIVISION

WOLLONGONG CITY vs PENRITH CITY
at WOLLONGONG SHOWGROUNDS 3pm SUNDAY

CANBERRA OLYMPIANS vs NEWCASTLE ROSEBUD
at NATIONAL SPORTS COMPLEX 3pm SUNDAY

APIA LEICHHARDT vs SYDNEY OLYMPIC
at LAMBERT PARK 3pm SUNDAY

SYDNEY CITY vs INTER MONARO
at SYDNEY ATHLETIC STADIUM 3pm SUNDAY

BLACKTOWN CITY vs MARCONI
at GABBIE STADIUM 3pm SUNDAY

SYDNEY CROATIA vs ST. GEORGE
at KING TOMISLAV PARK 3pm SUNDAY